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RAISING THE WIND.

Nanking Government Legalising Opium Sale.

LICENCES FOR PUBLIC DENS.

Monopoly Granted to Alleged Smuggling Firm.

MILLION DOLLARS TO BE PAID THE FIRST MONTH.

The Nanking Government intend to legalise the sale of opium and to enforce the licensing of dens, having granted a monopoly to an alleged firm of smugglers. It is said the Government will collect \$1,000,000 as the first month's fees, with larger sums to follow.

MOB FIRED ON AT HANKOW.

Money From Opium.

Shanghai, yesterday. It is reliably stated that the legalised sale of opium and the licensing of opium dens will be enforced shortly in Nanking. A monopoly has been granted to the Yung Ting Company, alleged notorious opium smugglers, who are paying a million dollars the first month, rising to a million and seven hundred thousand in the twelfth month to payments totalling fifteen million, four hundred thousand dollars.

New Nanking Tax.

Shanghai, yesterday. A two cent tax on large and a one cent on small bottles of aerated mineral waters is to be collected on Chinese territory from July 26.—Reuter.

Troops Pass Through.

The "Empress" "Bellerophon" arrives from Shanghai today with the remainder of the troops returning from Shanghai to India on board. She will go along side Hoi's wharf to discharge and take on stores.

H.M.S. "Argus" Arrives.

The aircraft carrier, H.M.S. "Argus" arrived in Hong Kong from Weihaiwei where H.M.S. "Hermes" has gone to take her place.

Overtures to Nanking.

Shanghai, Friday. Reports have been received here to the effect that the Communists have asked Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang to go to Hankow in order that a reconciliation may be effected with the Nanking Party.

A later message states that Tan Yu-hui and General Ching Chun are both planning to bring about an agreement between these two parties. General Chang Pu-fu's soldiers are still in Hankow.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

Cadets at Shanghai.

Shanghai, yesterday. Two thousand Whampoa cadets arrived on July 30 aboard the s.s. "Fuan." They are awaiting orders.—Reuter.

Galens in Hankow.

Shanghai, yesterday. General Galens did not accompany Borodin, but is remaining to direct military operations.—Reuter.

Coolies Fired On.

Hankow, Sunday. The rich coolies' strike, in the native city, is apparently the final struggle by the Unions against the Moderates. It resulted in a collision with the military, in which the military fired on the mob, killing four and wounding several.

Seven thousand rich coolies are still "out."—Reuter.

Northern Claims.

Shanghai, Sunday. The Northerners claim to have captured Tsingkiangpu on July 28 and Pengpu on the 29th.—Reuter.

A Communist Move?

Hankow, yesterday. The frictions between the Chinese police and riotous coolies on Friday night in the native city is believed to have been engineered by the Communists.

During the trouble, the Garrison Commander lined the border of the ex-Concession and prevented any of the mob from entering. Chinese troops were called by the police when the riot assumed serious proportions. The soldiers opened fire on the mob, killing four coolies and wounding about twenty.—British Naval Wireless.

OPIUM MONOPOLY.

Criticism of Nanking's Methods.

The news that Chiang Kai-shek is returning to the old system of farming out the opium monopoly

A "SERVICE" IDOL.

Splendid Farewell to Mrs. Costen.

PRESENTATIONS FROM MEN.

Enthusiastic Scenes At Saturday's Concert.

The vicinity of the City Hall on Saturday night reminded one of typical scenes to be met with outside London theatres. There was one long queue of Service men, all awaiting admission to the Theatre Royal, and others stood around in small groups. The occasion was the farewell concert given by Mrs. Costen. The theatre was packed as never before.

Lady Clementi and party arrived for the second-half of the performance and remained until the end. To show the appreciation of the Service men, they had clubbed together and bought Mrs. Costen several pieces of silver as a souvenir. These were inscribed "Presented to Mrs. W. T. Costen as a token of appreciation and esteem by members of His Majesty's Forces, Hong Kong, 1927" and were presented by Mr. Tippet (R.A.F.), who spoke on behalf of the Service men, saying that Mrs. Costen had started her good work first at the "Cheer O" on Tuesday nights. The place had become too small, and it was suggested that the City Hall would house the big following that Mrs. Costen had collected. From small beginnings the City Hall concerts had originated, and had always been a success. Mr. Tippet had more to say, but was interrupted by the constant applause, and a call for "She's a jolly good fellow." Mr. Sutherland at the end of it, led the cheers and a "tiger" which must have been heard for miles.

The idea of the City Hall concerts was first thought of by Mr. Ingram, in charge of the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A., which he passed on to the right quarter.

Another presentation was made by Mr. R. Sutherland, on behalf of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee. This was a silver loving cup suitably inscribed. In presenting the souvenir to Mrs. Costen, Mr. Sutherland said to the men that such concerts entailed lots of work, the results of which were so well appreciated.

It was a small souvenir, but he trusted that whenever she looked at the small plate attached to it she would find reflected the many good wishes of her audience which she was taking with her, and hoped she would see the many smiles of laughter she had brought to the Service men in Hong Kong. (Applause.)

In leaving, went on Mr. Sutherland, Mrs. Costen had handed over the management of future concerts to Mrs. Younghusband, who was going to take on the work, and he hoped the Service men would give her all their support in continuing the success of the shows. (Applause.)

It was sometime before Mrs. Costen could reply. The applause was deafening. When it subsided she said she thanked all present for all that they had done for her and she particularly desired to thank Lady Clementi for her encouragement. When the City Hall concerts were first suggested Lady Clementi was the first to offer Mrs. Costen support and encouragement.

"My heart," she continued, "is entirely too full to express all my thanks—and I just hate to leave you!"

Many times Mrs. Costen had been asked whom she liked best amongst the many she worked with and met in connection with these concerts, and her reply always was, "I love you all!"

But she did not want to say too much. She remembered when, at a "Cheer O" concert, the subject of the City Hall concerts arose, and on one occasion she talked furiously for about 20 minutes in order to get the lads to come to the latter place. After she had just about talked herself hoarse, in the inimitable American way, she heard someone in the audience remark, "She don't 'arf talk funny, does she?" (laughter). Since then she had learned to be sparing with her words (laughter).

Although that would be her last appearance at the City Hall, she mentioned that she would not be leaving for a fortnight or so, and would appear at the "Cheer

CAROL & ROUMANIA.

Declares His Right to Intervene.

MANIFESTO TO PRESS.

Has No Desire To Foment Agitation.

Paris, yesterday. The newspapers strongly criticise a manifesto to the Press in which Carol, the ex-Crown Prince, declares that while it is far from his thoughts to foment any kind of agitation in Roumania, he considers, as a Roumanian and a father he has a right and duty to see the nation's greatness unimpaired. "So that my son may enter upon his inheritance when the time comes, the situation gives me a right to intervene personally. I will never refuse to obey the will of my people if they should call me."

PACIFIC RELATIONS.

SUMMARY OF HONOLULU MEETING.

Honolulu, yesterday. Summing up the work of the Institute of Pacific Relations, President Wilbur asserted that ordinary international machinery was insufficient and a means of contract like the Institute was needed to solve the international problem. Sir G. Whyte (Britain) said the Institute's success in defining the problems of Pacific nations

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Another New Word Puzzle To-day

The fourteenth Cross-Word Puzzle of the "China Mail's" new series is published to-day, and will be found on page three of this issue. The result of last week's puzzle will be announced on Thursday.

had brought a solution nearer and praised Mr. Shotwell's suggestion of a "Pacific Locarno."

Mr. H. Hung (China) said he was hopeful that the Institute would benefit China by making her position known abroad.

Mr. Tsurumi (Japan) said the Japanese were fast becoming internationally-minded.

President Wilbur was re-elected chairman and the delegates signed a constitution setting forth the purpose of the Institute, namely "to study the conditions of the Pacific peoples with a view to the improvement of mutual relations." The venue of the next meeting has not yet been decided, and will probably be Tokyo or Shanghai, or some other oriental city.—Reuter.

O. Y.M.C.A. and also at the Queen's Recreation Hall in a little get-together song sing to which she hoped all her audience would go (cheers).

In conclusion Mrs. Costen thanked them all for what they had said about her and their token of appreciation. The nut dishes, she averred, would be used every day at dinner, so "I will think of you always." (Loud applause.)

The Concert. Mr. G. W. C. Burnett opened the concert with a monologue. Mr. J. Gilchrist followed with favourite tunes on the mandolin, and had a good reception.

The next item was a terribly exciting affair entitled "The Man in the Bowler Hat" featuring Mr. W. A. Hannibal, Miss Fay Grossman, A. N. Lucey, Miss Margaret Chubb, W. K. Reynolds, R. H. Charles, and W. Logan. Mrs. H. Balean gave a very fine violin selection, in which she was assisted by Mrs. W. R. Griggs at the piano.

Mr. W. A. Hannibal once again kept the boys in roars of laughter. The first half of the programme was concluded by Miss Aileen Woods in songs and dance which the lads all appreciated. She was very plucky to appear, as during the week she had to have an operation for an abscess on her arm which had caused her much pain. Mrs. Woods was at the piano. The boys always give her a clap for

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AT REPULSE BAY.

What the Asst. Crown Solicitor Saw.

CHINESE IN MATSHLO.

Convicted of Stealing Bather's Wallet.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, a Chinese youth was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell with the larceny from a bathing matshlo at Repulse Bay of a leather wallet containing \$55, the property of Mr. George Watt, Senior Revenue Officer.

Mr. Watt said that about 5.30 p.m., on Saturday he was bathing at Repulse Bay when Mr. T. M. Hazelrigg, (Assistant Crown Solicitor), called to him from the water's edge and as the result of information given by Mr. Hazelrigg, the witness returned to his matshlo (No. 100). When he got there he found that the door was closed as when he left it, with the spring lock in position but not shut. Inside the matshlo Mr. Watt found his wallet, which he had left in the pocket of his coat hanging in the dressing cubicle, lying on the bamboo seat on the side opposite where the coat was hanging. Some bank notes were spread out on the seat while others were partly out of the wallet. The cubicle window which he had closed when he left the matshlo, was open. The witness then went with Mr. Hazelrigg to the caretaker's hut and there the accused, was pointed out him by Mr. Hazelrigg. When taken with the accused, the accused denied it, but the witness took him to No. 7 Police Station.

Mr. Hazelrigg said that his matshlo was a little behind Mr. Watt's but he could see the side window of the latter's matshlo from the end of his verandah. He saw the accused come out of the matshlo through the side window, but as the accused was a fook of the caretaker, the witness did not at first suspect him, thinking that accused had been in the matshlo on business and was taking a short cut through the window. Then the witness looked down Mr. Watt's verandah and saw two ladies were just then mounting the verandah steps. He also noticed that the matshlo door was closed and the lock in position. This led him to the conclusion that the accused must have entered the matshlo by the window, and that he had been in there for no good purpose. He then informed Mr. Watt.

Positive Witness. Replying to the Magistrate Mr. Hazelrigg said that he was positive of the accused's identity as he had seen him regularly at least twice a week during the past four months. The accused had brought hot water into the witness's matshlo. Mr. Hazelrigg added that he had the accused been a stranger to him he would have suspected him of being a thief from the first and gone after him.

Asked what he had to say, the accused said that the European's evidence would no doubt bear more weight than his.

Mr. Lindell: Do you mean to suggest that he is deliberately lying to get you in jail?—I don't know.

Accused was convicted, and in sentencing the accused to three months' jail Mr. Lindell said that accused was in a position of trust as the caretaker's fook and had deliberately used that position to rob. There was no doubt that had the accused not been interrupted he would have got away with the \$55.

COMMUNISM BARRED.

BRAZIL CHAMBER PASSES LAW.

Rio de Janeiro, Saturday. The Chamber of Deputies by 118 votes to 15, have passed a law for the suppression of Communism in Brazil.—Reuter.

PANTRY BOY DROWNED.

According to a report made to the police by the steward of the s.s. "Towa Maru," in harbour, his attention was attracted at 6.30 p.m., yesterday by the Indian Guard calling out "have life." He went to the side of the ship and saw the pantry boy sinking slowly in the water. He called for assistance and both the Chief Officer and the Ship's Doctor jumped in but the pantry boy was not seen again. It is believed that he was carried away by the swift running current.

Walking in Lan Kwai Fong yesterday afternoon, a Chinese was injured when a piece of wood fell on his head from the verandah of house No. 20. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

IF GENEVA FAILS.

To-day's Plenary Session Postponed.

BRITISH & AMERICAN PLANS.

Efforts to Meet Demands of Other Powers.

CRUISER BUILDING COMPROMISE PROBABLE.

Whether the Geneva Limitation of Armaments Conference has been a success or not is still a problematical matter. The plenary session, fixed for to-day, has been postponed for two or three days. Both Britain and America have drawn up suggestions regarding certain points in their already declared proposals, particularly in connection with cruiser building. These suggestions may help to clear the air and pave a way for a settlement.

JAPAN'S THREE-FIFTHS LEVEL.

Geneva, yesterday. The plenary meeting of the conference has been postponed until August 3 or 4.—Reuter.

Britain's Alternative.

The "Observer's" diplomatic correspondent says that if the Conference breaks down tomorrow Britain plans immediately to appeal for a negative agreement binding the parties not to embark on any new programme of naval building during the agreed provisional period. Britain will undertake not to construct further 10,000 ton cruisers; America will undertake not to exceed the British number, and Japan will undertake, as she already has done, not to exceed the three-fifths level.

Britain hopes during the period of grace thus gained to organise a second attempt to produce a limitation treaty.—Reuter.

U.S. Press Comment.

New York morning papers view with mingled feelings the latest developments in the disarmament question.

The "Herald Tribune," the so-called administration paper in a leader entitled "chloroforming the conference," declares that if the revised programme is London's last word, the Conference might as well adjourn next Monday. The latest British proposals are a parody of the purpose for which the conference was called. They turn to mockery the statements and policies which were supported by Britain's representatives at the Washington Conference.

The Democratic "World" in a leader entitled "keep the conference together," pleads that the responsible heads of Government should talk directly with each other without the mediation of experts and envoys.

The "New York Times," in a very temperate leader, notes that whether an agreement is finally reached at Geneva or not, the way will be open for the naval Powers involved to build more ships and asks, however, if financial considerations will be regarded as justifying this.—Reuter.

American Proposals.

The announcement of the postponement was followed by the American delegates receiving despatches from Washington and simultaneously the American delegation published proposals asking that any treaty which was concluded shall contain a clause empowering any signatory to call a fresh Conference between 1931 and 1936 in the event of another signatory seemingly utilising the tonnage allocation of cruisers in such a manner as to necessitate an adjustment of the total allocation of that class, and in the event of disagreement the present convention may be terminated within a year.—Reuter.

Coolidge Hopeful.

Rapid City (South Dakota), Saturday.

For the first time since the opening of the Geneva Conference the White House has begun to question whether an agreement can be reached.

President Coolidge is still hopeful that further discussions will result in a modification of the British proposals, but is plainly determined not to accept them as they stand since he is of the opinion that the United States would thereby be required to build a

larger Navy than she requires, or, alternatively, to accept second place as a naval Power.—Reuter's American Service.

Attitude at Geneva.

Rugby, Saturday.

The best informed circles at Geneva do not share the pessimistic tone of the Press regarding the result of the "Naval Limitation" Conference, and the chief delegates have agreed among themselves not to express publicly any opinion on the merits of the respective cases or do more than explain the meaning of facts and figures, upon which they are based. Press comments should be discounted. It should also be noted that all delegates are eager to reach an agreement. This important factor, in estimating the prospects of the Conference, is neglected by many of the correspondents who forecast that Monday's plenary session will mark the end of the negotiations.

Not Last Session.

The "Times" says that although it will probably be decisive, it is unlikely that Monday's session will be the last. Britain has indicated the limits to which she is prepared to go to reach a settlement, and the new features of her revised proposals are still under consideration by the United States, which has hitherto contented itself with a reaffirmation of its original thesis of total tonnage. It is thought that the arrangement proposed for meeting the American desire for cruisers armed with eight inch guns, which seems to be the main point standing in the way of an agreement, may lead to some modification of the American attitude.—British Wireless Service.

"Too Valuable."

On the other hand the "Baltimore Sun," one of the leading Democratic newspapers, believes the British proposals too valuable to be angrily thrown out of the window and asserts that anyone able to add up a column of figures can see they carry the total tonnage smaller than that mentioned by Mr. Hugh Gibson.—Reuter.

C. N. CO. STRIKE.

ANOTHER SHANGHAI MEETING TO-NIGHT.

LOCAL RETICENCE.

Arising, it is believed, out of preliminary negotiations at Saturday's meeting at Shanghai between the China Navigation Company and representatives of the Guilds, a further meeting between the representatives of the officers and of the Company is to be held at Shanghai to-night.

Both the Guilds and the Company are uncommunicative, locally, the inference being that neither wish to prejudice the negotiations.

FRENCH DRAMATIST.

DEATH OF MARQUIS R. de FLERS.

Paris, Saturday. Marquis Robert de Flers is dead.—Reuter.

[The late Marquis was one of the best known French authors and dramatic composers.]

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REVIVAL OF TRADE.

REDUCING BURDENS ON
INDUSTRY.

MR. CHURCHILL'S OPTIMISM.

The determination of the Government to do all in their power, by action or restraint from action, to secure a revival of our trade was the theme adopted by the Right Hon. Winston Churchill, M.P., Chancellor of the Exchequer, who was the principal guest at the annual dinner of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers.

The task of government was more difficult to-day in many important respects than ever it was before the war, said Mr. Churchill, replying to the toast of his Majesty's Government, given by the Chairman. Before the war the Government of the day fought the Opposition. Since the war the situation had changed. The Government to-day were not fighting the Opposition. They were fighting for their own supporters in so far as they were fighting for the common good.

They were not engaged in trying to score for a particular section. They were up against grim, economic, financial facts, and it was necessary that they should guide the movements of the nations, shape policy, animate its efforts, control its waywardness, and so discharge their functions that a much larger measure of prosperity should speedily come back to all classes. The Government had to take effective steps to assure the revival of trade and industry, and especially of the basic industries. They did not take those responsibilities lightly. We were more prosperous than we used to be, but relatively the position was different.

World Wealth.

All around us in the world wealth was growing in gigantic strides and it was not enough to make actual progress let alone stand still. A proportionate progress must be made by this island if we were to maintain our position. During the remaining years of the Government's administration they had to find the steps to take to lessen the burden which pressed upon the great basic competitive industries of the nation. He was always accused of being an optimist. He was well aware of the extreme difficulties which the steel trade was facing. Nevertheless, looking beyond immediate trouble, and giving them the earnest pledge on behalf of the Government that they would do their best to lighten their burdens, he did declare himself an optimist.

The greatest perils were behind us. Never would he think that the British Empire, which withstood the onslaught of such a redoubtable enemy during the war, would allow the miserable forces of disruption and subversion to retard its recovery. (Cheers.)

Foreign Tariffs.

The chairman, in proposing the toast, had spoken of the ever-rising wall of foreign tariffs, which made it more necessary for us to look to markets within the Empire. Alluding to the burden of local taxation and expenditure, he asked for greater co-ordination between the central and local administrations, and mentioned that the average cost of local rates and taxes per ton of steel plates throughout the United Kingdom was 4s. 7d. per ton in 1925, as compared with 1s. 7d. in 1913, while the average cost of social services imposed by statute on the industry was 3s. 3d. per ton in 1925, as compared with 1s. 7d. in 1913. The burden of this would be appreciated when it was realised that contracts might be lost to this country by a difference of a few pence per ton. (Hear, hear.)

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Washington, Saturday. The Federal Trade Commission has ordered an investigation into the relationship between the Dupont General Motors and the United States Steel Corporation. According to a previous cable a direct community of interests between the United States Steel Corporation and the General Motors Corporation, America's two largest industrial units, was anticipated by the New York papers on the basis of a report that the Dupont-Denemours interests, which already dominated the General Motors Corporation, had been quietly buying heavily in United States Steel Common shares. Their holdings acquired during the past few weeks were alone placed at approximately 114,000 shares.

AMERICAN OIL.

CURTAILMENT OF
OUTPUT.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, Friday.

The oil producers of the Greater Seminole area have decided to enforce the curtailment programme limiting production in the district to 450 thousand barrels daily.

Reuter's American Service.

[A cablegram of Wednesday stated:—Operators in the Seminole oilfield have reached an agreement to curtail the output and have consented to consider a plan of production upon a pro rata basis.]

RUBBER.

RESTRICTION PERCENTAGE
REMAINS.

London, Saturday.

It is officially announced that the exportable rubber allowance from Ceylon and Malaya remains at 60 per cent.—Reuter.

COTTON TRADE.

MENACE OF FOREIGN
COMPETITION.

In the annual report of the Oldham Master Cotton Spinners' Association, issued, the secretary stated that the trade depression had continued for so long a period and with such unprecedented intensity, that its damaging effect on national trade and welfare was causing serious apprehension in ever widening circles. Lancashire experts for several years had been so persistently below what was necessary to find full employment for the whole of the spindles and looms that fear was being expressed in some quarters that the loss of export trade was permanent, especially as other cotton manufacturing countries had increased their machinery and run longer hours.

This growth of foreign producing power and competitive ability is a disquieting feature," the report went on, "and your committee is firmly convinced that if all our spindles and looms are to be utilized to their full capacity for supplying the needs of the world, it will be necessary to lower our costs of production to bring our goods within the purchasing power of our customers, and to develop systematically the complementary trade possibilities within the Empire.

Work to these ends has been unceasing by this committee and the Federation Short Time Committee. Every section of the industry, financial and industrial, from the bale to the finished article, has been approached."

As an example of the increased burdens which the trade has to bear the report cites a first-class mill, where the actual percentage increase in cost over 1914 per lb. of yarn for rates is 174 per cent. of come-tax 27 per cent., and health pensions and unemployment insurance 640 per cent. Such increases tended to grow rather than fall, and emphasised the necessity for effective action in reducing costs of production. The record size of the present season's American cotton crop, which had brought down prices to pre-war basis, would ultimately have an important influence in stimulating demand.

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TRESPASS CASE.

P.W.D. NO POWER TO
FINE.

MAGISTRATE'S DECISION.

On Tuesday Mr. R. E. Lindsell reserved his decision in an interesting case in which Mr. Li Tse-fong was summoned by the P.W.D. for trespass on Crown Land by laying waste pipes without a permit.

For the defence Mr. A. E. Hall contended that the P.W.D. condoned this by the fact that the intake of water from a spring, and the pipe-lines, were constructed on the suggestion of one of the Department's representatives, and by the fact that it was not until four months later that action was taken by the Department. Then a fine of \$50 was imposed, and a condition was made for the payment of this penalty before the encroachment was legalised.

Counsel suggested that the P.W.D. had usurped the powers of a Magistrate in imposing a fine.

Meaning of "Fine."

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith (Assistant Crown Solicitor) appearing for the P.W.D., denied that the Department was usurping the Magistrate's powers in imposing the penalty, which was merely made a condition before the work could be permitted. There had been too many of these breaches, and some action had to be taken. He produced Stroud's legal dictionary and expounded that the word "fine," apart from its strict meaning, had a meaning also akin to "premium."

His Worship said that it was only when the defendant refused to pay the \$50 that this summons was taken before the Court. "What else does that mean," His Worship said, "than asking this Court to act as a lever for the payment of this fine imposed by the P.W.D.? It is obviously an important point which will also affect all other cases of this nature. I want time to consider."

Technical Offence.

On Saturday morning His Worship gave his decision, and found that the defendant had clearly been guilty of a technical offence by encroaching on Government property, and imposed a nominal fine of \$10.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, asked for an order for the removal of the structure complained of by the P.W.D.

Mr. Lindsell said that it was quite clear that the purpose of the prosecution was to secure an order rather than a fine, so that in order to avoid removing the structure the defendant would pay the fine of \$50 imposed on him by the P.W.D.

The P.W.D. had no authority to impose that fine, and for that reason his Worship refused to make an order.

"Premium" Not a "Fine."

Mr. Whyte-Smith said that in fairness to the P.W.D., and with no desire to influence his Worship in his decision, he wished to say that the P.W.D. imposed what he called a "premium" with the view that it was to the defendant's advantage to pay the \$50 rather than be obliged to remove the structure, which it was quite within the P.W.D.'s right at the time to demand. If the P.W.D. were denied the power to use their discretion they would have no alternative, when dealing with such encroachments on Crown land, than to order removal in every case. This, he claimed, would cause hardships in some cases due to pure misunderstanding.

Mr. Lindsell said that the defence had raised the point of the P.W.D.'s authority to impose a fine. He must give a decision on that point, and he regretted that after careful consideration he must find against the P.W.D.

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"Taxi Taxi"

The boulevards of Hollywood—famed in song, story and sermon—provide the backgrounds for all the exterior scenes in "Taxi Taxi!" which will be a feature attraction at the Queen's Theatre shortly.

The story is supposedly set in some large metropolis in the East. In spite of the declaration of Michael Arlen, Elinor Glyn and others that Hollywood is "just a small town" the fact remains that the movie city has developed in the past few years, a skyline of no small proportions, and is rivaling its big brother city of Los Angeles in office buildings and impressive stores.

Melville Brown, director of "Taxi Taxi!" therefore couldn't see why he should not use Hollywood boulevard and call it Fifth Avenue New York, instead of shooting his picture in down town Los Angeles or San Francisco.

Edward Everett Horton, whose work will be remembered in "Poker Faces," "The Whole Town's Talking," "Beggar on Horseback" and other films, plays the featured role in "Taxi Taxi!" Marian Nixon, Burr McIntosh, and others are also in prominent roles.

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A PRETTY CHINESE
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LOCAL CELEBRATION.

Next Thursday will be the "double seven" according to the Chinese calendar—the seventh day of the seventh moon. This day is annually observed by Chinese spinsters as their own particular day, the day on which "Tsat Cheh," their patron "saint" is honoured. The legend of "Tsat Cheh," which is over one thousand years old, is derived from Chinese astronomy, and makes a very interesting and romantic tale.

According to a learned astronomer who lived in the Tung dynasty, "Tsat Cheh" was the beautiful and industrious daughter of "Tien Wong," the King of the Heavens. This monarch of all he surveys has amongst the millions of stars which brighten his celestial domain, twenty-eight brilliant "diamonds of the sky," of great splendour, which are the subject of his kindly pride. "Tsat Cheh" was one of these, the most brilliant of them all. Next in splendour came what is called the "Cow Star." This celestial cow, like the earthly ones, is attended by a Cow-boy, a star of less brilliance.

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The two young folks—"Tsat Cheh," the coy royal maiden, and the romantic, nameless "Cowboy"—met often, and soon became deeply attached to each other. In fact, we are told that there developed between them a regular Romeo and Juliet love affair. "Tsat Cheh" was attracted to the lowly "Cowboy" by his dashing ways. Then, too, he was by no means a bad "looker," and oh! how he could make love! He was simply irresistible!

"Cowboy" was not so much attracted by "Tsat Cheh's" dazzling beauty as by her admirable diligence—she was no idle flapper, and could weave proficiently. "Tsat Cheh" was busy weaving every time "Cowboy" called, unknown to the King, of course, to press his suit.

Eventually this young couple eloped. Old "Tien Wong" was at first furious, but after a time his kindly heart melted under the entreaties of the bewitching "Tsat Cheh," and he pardoned them.

Everything should have gone well with the young lovers and the story should have ended "and they lived happily ever after," but alas, it was not to be, and for this, "Tsat Cheh" had herself to blame. Soon after her marriage she became lazy, and although she had more need of it now as the wife of a poet, "Cowboy

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2. "The Green Hills of Tyrol."
Valse, "Lovely Lucerne", Godin.
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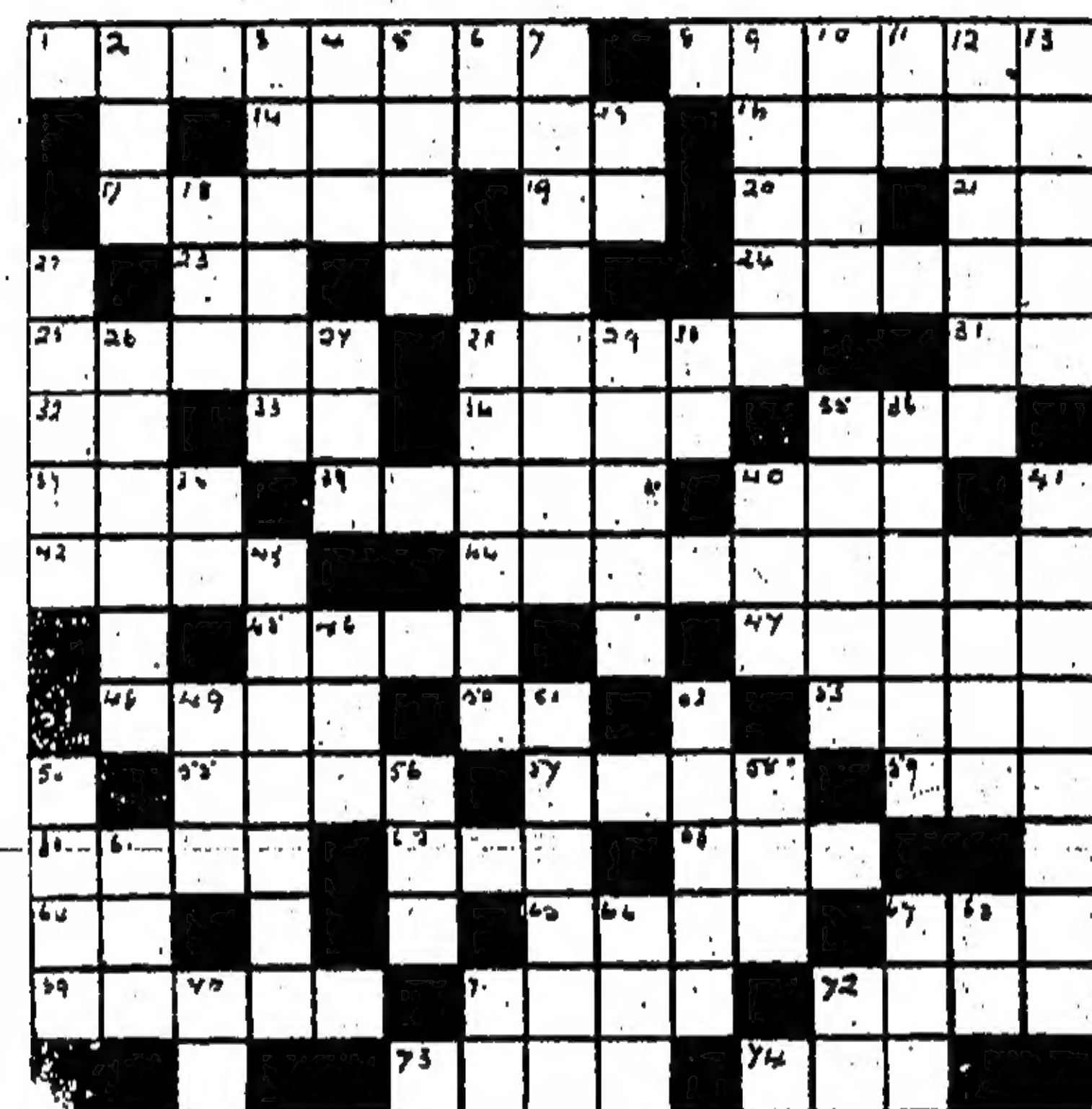
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| <p>Across.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A mass of substances worn off from solid bodies by attrition and reduced to small portions. 8. Spurring. 14. A genus of birds of the kite kind. 16. To gild or adorn. 19. A relation of degrees. 20. B. A. (Actual). 21. Sun God. 23. Thus. 24. Pertaining to the third division of the lower intestine. 25. To ask. 28. Summoned. 31. C. H. (Actual). 32. Personal pronoun. 33. A. L. (Actual). 34. A species of goat found in the Alps. 35. A quadruped of the stag kind. 37. Epoch. 39. Draws up. 40. Before. 42. Struck. 44. The bitter principle of Iceland moss. 45. To annul. 47. A not. 48. A book. 50. Compass point (abb.). 53. To cry aloud. 55. To support. 57. To diminish by little and little. 59. Silly fellow. 60. To murmur. 62. Period. 63. Utile. 64. Bone. 65. A bear. 67. An antelope having the neck, body and tail of a horse, and single recurved horns. 69. Needle. 71. To spot, as with ink. 72. Dregs. 73. A plant of the genus Beta. | <p>Down.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. A garden plot usually half an acre. 3. Delay. 4. An ear of corn. 5. Business. 6. Negative prefix. 7. Easily persuaded. 9. Furious. 10. Free of rent or service. 11. Proceed. 12. A spirituous liquor manufactured in the East Indies. 13. Physician. 15. S. T. (Actual). 18. To employ. 22. The earthy or mineral particles of combustible substances remaining after combustion. 26. To let. 27. To entangle in an intricate manner. 28. A kind of hawk. 29. A shell. 30. E. X. (Actual). 35. Mistake. 36. A genus of birds (L. ocellata) found in Australia. 38. Three toed sloth. 40. Consume. 41. Consisting of earth. 43. A rough cart. 46. Bore. 49. To row. 51. The shoulder of a bastion. 52. A concretion. 54. Dark. 56. To scatter hay. 58. Date. 61. To practise customarily. 66. Decay. 67. Obtain. 68. Word of denial. 70. Fingers' measure. 71. Exist. 72. L. E. (Actual). |
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'COLLISION' DEFINED

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The meaning of the word "collision," when used in policies of marine insurance, has frequently been the subject of litigation; so much so that it rivals "attracted" as a source of income to those deservingly individuals, the commercial lawyers. It is by no means unlikely that the courts will again be called upon to interpret the exact significance of the word in consequence of a claim under the Running Down Clause at present being considered by underwriters.

A fairly generally accepted definition of the meaning of "Collision" is that the word implies forcible contact with another ship or vessel, forcible impact being an essential feature. The main question at issue in the claim under consideration is whether this definition is really accurate and as a number of underwriters have accepted liability without raising any query, it would appear that the market is divided on the subject of the necessity for forcible contact, some underwriters being content to accept liability as long as contact—however slight and whether of itself resulting in damage or not—is demonstrated.

Negligent Navigation.
In the case now under review a tug towing some barges containing cargo overtook another vessel and, according to the statement of claim, apparently the tug brushed broadside against the other vessel, but neither sustained any damage. The loss was confined to the barges and their cargo and was attributable to "overcrowding" consequent on loss of way owing to insufficient clearing room. It is alleged that there was some negligent navigation both on the part of the overtaking tug and on the part of the other vessel, but the division of negligence is not a point at issue in the dispute. It is affirmed that the damage to the barges and their

cargo would have arisen whether the vessels had made contact or not.

A claim has been presented under the Running Down Clause, the material words being "If the ship hereby insured shall come into collision with any other ship or vessel, and the assured shall in consequence thereof become liable to pay.... to any other person or persons any sum or sums in respect of such collision...."

The point has never been before the courts in this form, and in view of the apparent divergences of opinion it would not be disadvantageous if a definite ruling were sought and obtained, but the case does certainly again emphasize the difficulties faced by the Technical and Claims Committee in their attempts to frame clauses which shall be absolutely free of latent ambiguity.

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The Dollar Steamship Line s.s. "President Pierce" will sail for Manila to-morrow, at 6 p.m.

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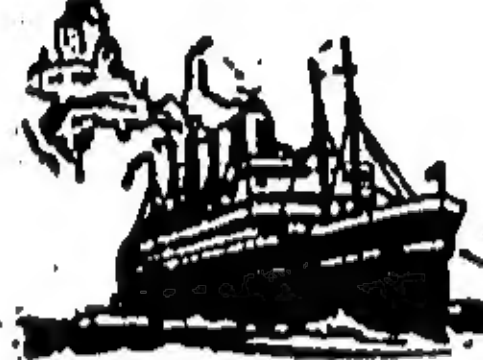
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Boston 3, Pittsburgh 4.

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New York 6, Pittsburgh 11.

New York 9, Pittsburgh 3.

Brooklyn 3, Chicago 2.

Brooklyn 1, Chicago 7.

Cincinnati 9, St. Louis 4.

Monday (July 25):

Cincinnati 3, St. Louis 2.

Cincinnati 4, St. Louis 3.

New York 1, Pittsburgh 0.

Tuesday (July 26):

Pittsburgh 6, Brooklyn 5.

Cincinnati 11, St. Louis 10.

Wednesday (July 27):

Pittsburgh 2, Brooklyn 1.

Chicago 4, New York 5.

Cincinnati 2, Boston 7.

Cincinnati 6, Boston 2.

St. Louis 9, Philadelphia 8.

Thursday (July 28):

Chicago 6, New York 6.

Cincinnati 11, Boston 6.

St. Louis 10, Philadelphia 8.

Pittsburgh 5, Brooklyn 7.

American League.

Saturday (July 23):

Chicago 2, New York 5.

Detroit 3, Boston 2.

St. Louis 8, Washington 9.

Sunday (July 24):

Chicago 2, New York 3.

Cleveland 9, Philadelphia 6.

Cleveland 5, Philadelphia 2.

St. Louis 6, Washington 14.

Detroit 7, Boston 8.

Monday (July 25):

Philadelphia 6, Detroit 5.

Boston 10, Cleveland 7.

Tuesday (July 26):

New York 15, St. Louis 1.

New York 12, St. Louis 3.

Philadelphia 4, Detroit 10.

Philadelphia 5, Detroit 2.

Washington 6, Chicago 1.

Washington 6, Chicago 5.

Boston 2, Cleveland 7.

Wednesday (July 27):

New York 4, St. Louis 1.

Philadelphia 1, Detroit 3.

Washington 4, Chicago 7.

The Boston-Cleveland game was postponed on account of rain.

Thursday (July 28):

New York 9, St. Louis 4.

Washington 12, Chicago 2.

Philadelphia 2, Detroit 5.

Boston 3, Cleveland 0.

Boston 4, Cleveland 3.

—Reuter's American Service.

Last Week's Play.

New York.

By winning a hard-fought, free-

biting battle from the Philadel-

phia Athletics, while Chicago was

dropping a loosely played game to

the Senators, the Detroit Tigers

took another grip on third place

in the American League.

The Yankees had no difficulty with

St. Louis, walking away with a 6-1

victory. The tail-enders, Boston

and Cleveland, divided a double-

header on the latter's home lot.

Only two games were played in

the National League on Wednesday,

The Cubs clinching their hold on

first place by beating the Giants,

8-5, and Cincinnati drove the

Braves deeper into the cellar, win-

ning the game at Boston, 8-2.

This was McGraw Day in New

York, honouring the veteran's 25th

year with baseball. It was

observed with all the formality of

a public holiday. Mayor Walker

was on the job with a smile and

a loving cup both of which he con-

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positors for the recovery of one

month's wages in lieu of notice.

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special arrangement with the

workmen to grant only reasonable

Government holidays.

The Magistrate asked: "What

are reasonable holidays?"

The plaintiff replied "Only im-

portant days; not all these coming

close together." As an instance he

gave Whit Monday, not King's

Birthday. As a result the whole

staff stayed away on June 6. They

were reprimanded for their return,

and the whole staff walked out.

Again he refused to re-engage

and claimed a month's wages owing

to loss and inconvenience.

The Magistrate invited the

Indian Agent, who was present, to

give his views.

The latter addressed the Court on

the right of the men to strike.

The Magistrate gave judgment

in favour of the plaintiff with

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DEATH.

WILSON.—William Wilson, for
many years employed by the
Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock
Co., Ltd., and latterly acting
Chief Manager, at Glenore,
Kilmartin, Scotland. (Notice
received by cable.)

Hong Kong, Monday, August 1, 1927.

SEARCH FOR A PACT.

According to the latest news
from China each of the rival
parties are still endeavouring to
exploit each other by an outward
semblance of a desire for a pact
aimed at eliminating a third
party. It is an interesting study.
Borodin tried to woo Chiang Kai-
shek, and failed. Next he started
a flirtation with the "Christian
General," with equally negative
results so far as the outside
world knows, although one must
be always sceptical of the
"Christian General's" motives
and actions.Since Borodin's departure for
Russia we have been told that the
Communists in Hankow have asked
the "Christian General" to go
to Hankow "in order that a
reconciliation may be effected
with the Nanking Party." The
Hankow clique know full well
that no pact with Hankow is
possible until they completely
disavow Communism and Moscow
influence and direction. Hence
they have recently been trying to
impress outsiders—and particu-
larly Nanking—that the Moder-
ates now control Hankow and
that the Communist extremists
are in the minority. Whether
they will lure Marshal Feng Yu-
hsiang into their net is another
matter. They are certainly not
likely to deceive General Chiang
Kai-shek and the Nanking Gov-
ernment. Feng Yu-hsiang can-not be totally disregarded as a
factor in the position, but any
eventual rise to power by him
could not but be regarded as a
personal challenge to Chiang
Kai-shek. Then would come a
further clash between these two
war lords, sooner or later, with
a resultant continuance of the
civil war.In the overtures to the Nan-
king Government the Hankow
clique evidently disclose a lack of
confidence in their own power to
suppress Nanking. If they can
win over Feng Yu-hsiang and, in
turn, the Nanking Government
they shall have to reckon with
Chiang Kai-shek whom they pre-
viously dismissed from his post of
Generalissimo. The latter may
have his enemies within his own
fold, but he still exercises a
tremendous hold over the people
—and the armies—within the
zone occupied by the Southern
Nationalists. The whole posi-
tion, it will be seen, bristles with
problems the eventual solution of
which cannot be forecast. Very
much will depend on how far the
Moderates in Hankow have gone
toward purging that centre of
the Communists. If, as reported,
General Galens, Moscow's
nominee is still to remain "to
direct the Hankow army," any
idea of a pact with Nanking
becomes as remote as ever.

That Ferry.

The Star Ferry Company
exists, of course, for the benefit
of Kowloon. In other words, the
people who run the Star Ferry
exist for the benefit of the people
who live in Kowloon. But the
people who run the Star Ferry do
not live in Kowloon, the Star
Ferry being a money-making
proposition. That's the rub. So,
in consequence, whilst the Star
Ferry continues to make money,
possessing a glorious monopoly,
the people who live in Kowloon
have to put up with what they
can get. Which is mighty little,
all things considered. As cor-
respondents to this journal have
pointed out, at least a sanely con-
structed landing stage at both
ends is the least of a number of
reforms badly requiring atten-
tion. In this respect it seems to
us that the Company should have
the ordinary foresight to look
just a little way ahead, when the
present arrangements will prove
physically impossible for the
maintenance of anything ap-
proaching an adequate service of
transport across the Harbour.
Kowloon, as a residential area,
grows from month to month; the
"seasons" issued by the Company
must prove this point. Seen a
remodelling of the whole landing
and boarding stages will be im-
perative, so why attempt to
"carry on" in antiquated sur-
roundings and with an inefficientstaff? The latter charge, ob-
viously correct to all who suffer
from daily journeyings across
the Harbour, is directed at the
Company's coxswains, many of
whom perform as if they were
recently recruited garbage coolies
or ricksha pullers. Many of
their attempts to effect a landing
—if they really attempt it at all—
are painful to watch and wait
for, and must be a sore irritation
to the poor mortals already more
than deservedly afflicted by hav-
ing to live in Kowloon. What is
wanted, of course, is another
Company to start running ferries
across the Harbour in healthy
opposition to the present one.
But such a venture would require
a very large initial outlay and
would, we suspect, strike up
against vested interests. So it is
that the Colony of Hong Kong,
an outpost of the Empire, the
Pearl of the Orient, gets very
near in actuality a "small town"
at Home. For which some of us,
though not the humble Kowloon-
ite, must be thankful.

LATEST PIRACY.

BOAST OF LEADER OF THE
GANG.Fifteen men on a dead man's
chest! Yo Ho, and a bottle of Rum.
Chinese pirates are busy once again.
The lesson taught the marauders,
whose haven is Bias Bay, must be
repeated. Having once started on
a policy of cleaning up the China
Sea, there must be no relaxation.
In the old days, when ship's crew
caught pirates red-handed they
would hang these "gentlemen" from
the yard arms and leave them there
for a day or two. We are more
civilized now. We have to conform
to international law and hand over
captured sea thieves to the country
of their origin. The new piracy has
this time been directed against a
Norwegian vessel; the captain and
second lieutenant being shot down,
and the first lieutenant by force
majeur made to pilot the captured
ship to the pirate's nest. On leav-
ing the ship, the leader of the gang
boasted that he and his jolly
Rogers were off to a place where
acrobats could not find them.
Possibly, the leader issued his
taunt in the belief that as there
were no Norwegian air force units
in the Far East, it could be made
with impunity. If so, he overlooked
the fact that international law de-
clares pirates to be outlaws, and
it thus a proper mark for all nations
to draw a bow against, irrespective
of the particular one suffering
through their depredations.
—"Straits Times" (July 22).

COLLISION AT YAUMATI.

JUNK RUNS INTO FERRY
BOAT.While a Mongkok ferry launch
was making the northern en-
trance of the Yaumati Typhoon
shelter at 5.30 a.m., on Saturday,
she was bumped into by a junk
which was approaching the en-
trance from an opposite direction.
This junk had on board a long
plank which stuck out some 20
feet in front of her bow. The
launch was struck in the centre by
this plank, and knocked out of her
course.
This caused her to run into a
badly hole another junk which
was just inside the shelter. The
junk which was damaged to the
extent of \$50, was towed into
shallow water where she sank and
settled down on the mud bed.

FLOODS IN INDIA.

FORTY THOUSAND PEOPLE
HOMELESS.Bombay, Saturday.
The floods in Gujarat are sub-
siding. Forty thousand people in
Ahmedabad are reported home-
less. Baroda is still unable to
communicate by telegraph.
—Reuter.

Casualties Exaggerated.

Bombay, yesterday.
Telegraphic communication with
Baroda has been re-established.
The city and parts of the sur-
rounding district were under
water for three days. The city's
total death-roll, however, is only
30. The death-roll in the sur-
rounding district has not yet been
ascertained, but is not likely to
exceed 100. The mills at
Ahmedabad have reopened but
are suffering from a shortage of
labour, a large number of em-
ployees having left the city, where
5,093 houses were destroyed.
—Reuter.A radiator cap and a mascot
worth \$50 was stolen from the
motor car of Mr. C. M. Manners
of No. 14A, Armand Buildings,
Kimberley Road, Kowloon, yester-
day.Jewellery and other property
worth \$70 was reported stolen
from the room of one of the nurses
of the Eastern Maternity Hospi-
tal, Stone Nullah Lane, yester-
day.A third class Chinese passen-
ger jumped into the harbour from
the Yaumati ferry launch "Man
Yee" while in midstream yester-
day morning. The launch circled
the spot for ten minutes but no
trace of the man could be found.

YAUMATI BLAZE.

KEROSENE CARGO CATCHES
FIRE.

JUNK DESTROYED.

There was a spectacular blaze at
the Yaumati typhoon shelter on
Saturday night, when a junk with
a cargo of kerosene was burnt prac-
tically to the water's edge.
The presence of the junk in the
shelter with such inflammable mate-
rial aboard is illegal and it is sur-
prising to hear that the junk em-
ployees absconded as soon as the
fire assumed dangerous propor-
tions.
It is believed that there were
seven men on board the junk at the
time and all are said to have escap-
ed unhurt with the exception of
one man who is stated to have been
awakened by the fire and to have
jumped into the sea with his
clothes burning. This man is re-
ported to have reached the shore
and to have been conveyed to the
Kwong Wah Hospital.
Two land appliances and the fire
boat were sent to cope with the
fire. Owing to the firm hold the
fire had and the nature of the cargo,
hope of saving the junk had to be
abandoned, but the efforts of the
firemen to restrict the blaze to the
one vessel were successful.

COMMUNIST PLOT.

A TROUBLESOME BUSINESS
IN JAVA.Batavia, July 23.
As already mentioned in my mid-
week correspondence the authori-
ties discovered a plot to revolt on
Sunday night, but owing to the
drastic measures taken by the police
and others the whole affair fizzled
out like a candle.An alarming discovery was that
Menadonese troops in the Army
were affected by Communist propa-
ganda and numerous arrests have
been made. Some of them were
deserters who travelled through the
country in a motor car preaching
communism. From this it would
seem that ample funds are avail-
able for this work. The Menad-
onese troops are some of the best
fighters in the D.E.I. army and have
always been loyal to the Govern-
ment even as far back as the time
of the East Indian Company. It
was therefore only natural that a
meeting of Menadonese soldiers
was called in Bandung one even-
ing this week, which was attended
by about 200 men. Speakers drawn
from all ranks emphatically denied
that the Menadonese troops as a
whole were affected by the com-
munist movement and declared that
they were ready to fight for the
Government which had made them
what they are to-day. In the bar-
ack rooms would-be soldiers and
Communists had a warm reception at
the hands of their loyal comrades.
It is worthy of mention that this
renewed action coincides with the
return of a large number of pil-
grims from Mecca and the possi-
bility that funds are brought into
the country in this manner is not
excluded especially in view of the
fact that an order had been cir-
culated to the effect that the home-
coming pilgrims were not to be
troubled with all kinds of formal-
ities such as baggage examination,
etc.The Pasar Gambir which is now
nearing completion is strongly
guarded and nobody is allowed in
the grounds after 6 p.m.; further
the outside walls are brightly il-
luminated to lighten the task of the
police.Radon Oerip, an ex-desa teacher
was arrested in Bandung and con-
fessed to being a financier of the
new plot. He was found to be in
possession of £30. The sister of
Soedono was treasurer and had
£200, in her possession when ar-
rested.The Commander-in-Chief of the
Army has formed a commission to
investigate the growth of Com-
munism in the army. The commis-
sion will co-operate with the Mil-
itary Information Service and the
C.I.D. in the various garrison
towns.As a result of the new dis-
coveries in West Java all public
buildings in Medan are now guard-
ed but so far no irregularities have
taken place. On Thursday night
a number of natives were arrested
in the neighbourhood of the
Struiswijkstraat-Weltevreden and
taken to the police station where
two of them were placed in cus-
tody.—"Singapore Free Press"
Corr.

MOTOR CAR STOLEN.

BUICK DISAPPEARS FROM
NEAR FERRY.Mr. Wong Chai-sheung left his
Buick motor car outside the Star
ferry wharf on Saturday night. It
was gone when he returned for it
yesterday morning.

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HOME SPORT.

"What's become o' yer parrot,
Mrs. Hic's?"
"We 'ad to sell 'im; 'e took to
droppin' 'is aitches something
orrible."Gentle Lady: Yes, we're
leavin' 'ad enough o' this 'ole;
goin' to live in a much better
neighbourhood after this."Common Lady: So are we,
Gentle Lady: What, you
movin', too?Common Lady: No; we're stop-
pin' 'ere!A young lawyer, pleading his
first case, had been retained by a
farmer to prosecute a railway
company for killing twenty-four
pigs. He wanted to impress the
jury with the magnitude of the
injury."Twenty-four pigs, gentlemen,"
he said, "twenty four!" Twice
the number there is in the jury
box.Bigbee: Wonder what business
that man is in? They say he is
perfectly deaf.Carper: Oh, that's Jack Robin-
son; why, he receives complaints
in the railway office."Jock, wull ye dine with me
to-morrow night?"

"Aye, Sandy, I wull."

"Guid. Eight o'clock—at your
hoose!"A well-known Judge attended a
function and left his hat and
coat in the cloakroom. The at-
tendant, who knew the Judge by
sight, did not give him a ticket.
When the Judge left he was
given his correct belongings."You did not give me a ticket
when I came in," he said, "so how
do you know these things belong
to me?""I don't" replied the attendant.
"I only know that you handed
them to me."Misses: "I have bought you
this alarm clock for the morn-
ings."New Maid: "Well, do you mind
if I change it for a wrist watch
for evenings?"Ma: "Hilda's young man hasn't
been for a week. Have you said
something to him?"Pa: "No, I've not even seen
him since I sent the gas bill on
to him."Mrs. Jones: "I met Mrs.
McDougal down the street, and
she told me that you told her the
news I told you not to tell
because Mrs. Brown made me
promise not to tell it before she
would tell it to me."Mrs. Smith: "Why, Mrs.
McDougal told me she wouldn't
tell a soul that I had told her."
"Never mind. I told her I
wouldn't tell you she had told me
you told her."Two golfers playing an import-
ant tie were annoyed by a slow
couple in front of them, obviously
new to the game. At one hole
there was a particularly long
wait. One of the offending
couple dawdled on the fairway
while his companion searched
industriously in the rough.At length the waiting couple
could contain their impatience no
longer."Why don't you help your
friend to find his ball?" one
shouted indignantly."Oh, he's got the ball," the
other replied, blandly. "He's
looking for his club."Judge: "Why did you stick the
knife in this man?"Prisoner: "I saw the police
coming, and had to hide it some-
where."A seaside landlady was hack-
ing at the very hard piecrust,
when she remarked:—"My late husband greatly ap-
preciated my culinary products."
Gloomy Lodger: "A sculptor, I
presume?"After the fair plaintiff had
wept for ten minutes over her
troubles, a barrister entering the
court exclaimed:—"Why, what's the matter with
that poor girl?""I think," said the Magistrate,
"she's waiting to be bailed out."Teacher: "Now, Tommie, tell
me anything you know about
London."Tommie: "All the people that
live in London are stupid."

Teacher: "Good gracious! Why?"

Tommie: "Well, teacher, you
told us that London's population
is very dense."Serve cream mushroom sauce
with fried children.—Household
hint in a Johnstown (Pa.) paper.

"DEMOCRACY."

Liberty And Equality "Insufficient."

SUN YAT-SEN'S LECTURES.

Trade Union "Lessons" For China.

'OTHER COUNTRIES' STRUGGLES REVIEWED.

In the third of the newly published second lecture series, the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen deals with the "insufficiency" of liberty and equality alone as the basis of true democracy, drawing lessons from history to support his contention.

Reviewing the growth of Trade Unionism, the Father of the Republic refers to the danger of restricting leadership entirely to men who themselves are workers. Such a policy, he stated, is due to a false conception of Equality.

WHAT IS EQUALITY.

The third of the new series of lectures is as follows:

Let me on this occasion compare our theory of democracy with the French conception of equality. The Europeans fought for equality just as they did for liberty. In fact they regarded equality as the more important inasmuch as real liberty could not exist without it. The European thinkers regarded equality as a natural right. Let us consider this conception and get it clear. In practice there is not and never has been any equality in nature unless it is the level surface of water. A railway line may be regular but not the country it runs through. This flower may have similar petals but they lose their likeness under the microscope. No one leaf on a tree is just like another, and no tree is just like another. Where each individual is unlike the others we can hardly talk of absolute equality. In fact men are by nature unequal and with the organisation of governments and the rise of monarchs this inequality became more emphasised. Thus arose artificial as distinct from natural inequality. What this artificial inequality was can best be illustrated by consideration of the various grades into which society was divided:—Emperor, Prince, Duke, Marquis, Earl, Viscount, Baron and Common People.

A "False Conception."

When the oppression of the upper classes grew beyond bearing, Revolution broke out with the destruction of this artificial inequality as its object. Now those who had usurped the ruling power had fortified their position by the doctrine of the Divine Right of Kings, a doctrine which was accepted by the ignorant populace; and our doctrine of the natural right to liberty and equality was a counterblast to it. When this became the accepted belief and attempts were made to bring it into relation with every day life, the result was a false conception of equality which depressed all individuals to the same level. The fact is that men are naturally unequal in capacity and intellect and that though all start equal there is no equality in practice; otherwise society could not progress but rather would retrograde if we thrust everyone down to the level of the lowest. True equality which is not incompatible with progress is political equality and nothing else. This is an artificial conception and has nothing to do with the natural capacities of individuals.

Comparisons With China.

Now it is only two or three hundred years since Europe overthrew the feudal system; and even now relics of it remain. But in China the feudal system came to an end two thousand years ago, and liberal ideas became familiar. Nevertheless during the past two hundred years Europe has not only overtaken but has passed beyond China in this respect.

There is one important distinction which must be borne in mind in comparing the state of affairs in China with that of pre-revolutionary Europe. In Europe until three hundred years ago not only were offices hereditary but even among the common people occupations were hereditary as well. Just as the sons of noblemen succeeded their fathers, so the sons of the common people had to follow their father's trade. In China only the Emperor was succeeded in his dignity by his son. So we understand why it was necessary for the Europeans to fight for liberty and equality and why the same necessity did not exist in China and why those persons are wrong who want to make the Revolution in China a struggle for equality and liberty and why they do not get popular support.

You will understand why the nations of Europe excepting England have abolished distinctions of rank while in Russia they have gone beyond this and abolished the hierarchy of wealth also.

America's "Colour" Problem.

With regard to America. The American colonies revolted against the English Government because they were oppressed even more harshly than the people of England were, and they resented this inequality of treatment. They secured their independence after eight years of warfare. But the American Republic which resulted was a Republic of Whites which gave equality only to the Whites and denied it to the coloured races. The Blacks were treated as slaves contrary to the laws of their Declaration of Independence. They treated the blacks like cattle and made them work in return for nothing but food. By and by feeling against this grew stronger and stronger amongst right-minded men.

Literature was published setting forth the hardships suffered by the slaves. At that time the Northern States where slaves were not kept favoured the abolition of slavery. The South where were the slave worked plantations opposed it in their own interests. The Americans used to bring negroes from Africa just as, not many years ago, the Europeans used to take Chinese to America and the South Seas. The southern states maintained that these negroes were of the nature of capital and they could not free them without compensation; a negro being worth some five or six thousand dollars. Lack of the necessary funds made this solution impossible; and feeling grew stronger and stronger until it boiled over in the American Civil War which was the greatest war which had ever taken place up to that time and cost hundreds of thousands of lives. It was in essence a fight for liberty but not for the liberty of the fighters. For the negroes had been slaves so long that they had no interest in anything but food, clothes and houses. They had no idea of struggling to free themselves, and so when the North won and the negroes were freed, they found that they had lost the certainty of food, clothing and houses and for this reason they hated and abused the Northerners and President Lincoln, just as the opponents of the Revolution hate and abuse the Kuomintang. To-day though some negroes have learnt the blessings of liberty there are still some who curse Lincoln just as their fathers did. These two events—the struggle for independence against England and the fight for the freedom of the negroes are the two most glorious episodes in the history of America or indeed in the history of the world.

A "Wrong Basis."

Revolution in France began later than in America and continued for eighty years before the French gained their object. But they carried their ideas to extremes, trying to enforce equality at the end instead of the beginning by depressing all to the same level. Now the revolution in China had its origin in ideas imported from Europe, as a fight for equality and liberty, but this is not its proper basis. We must start with my three principles which involve liberty and equality, and we shall not run off the rails as the European Revolutionaries did. To avoid their mistakes we must be familiar with their history.

I have described the wars fought by the Americans in the cause of liberty. But in China all civil wars before the revolution were struggles for the Imperial power, and even now some of the so-called Revolutionaries

have this object in view. Tiao Kun and Wu Pei-fu profess republican sentiments when they talk of unification by force. But at the back of their minds they intend, should they be successful, to aim at absolute power. Did not Yuan Shik'ai profess to be a Republican, and yet he made himself Emperor? Who can guarantee that this will not happen again? It is this thirst for absolute power, that we must eradicate.

It is incorrect to begin, as our young students of foreign doctrines do, with liberty and equality. We shall find that these things only occur as a result of a democratic system; and that not an incomplete democracy based on slavery as in Greece and Rome and America of the early 19th century, but a true democracy. So we see that an investigation of the meaning of Democracy will involve these things as well.

Trades Unions' Growth.

Now we can see how it is that the fight for liberty and equality in Europe and America has resulted in a number of abuses. The reason is that their democratic system is incomplete and they are beginning to see that they must fight for democracy as well. A fight means organisation and they have secured the right to organise: so we see growing up political parties and Labour Unions. The latter are the most important organisations of the present time. They grew up after the Revolutions in which the liberty of association was won. How did this come about?

In the beginning the labouring classes were ignorant and without foresight not realising the inequality of their position or the harshness with which they were treated by the Capitalists; just like the slaves in America. It was only when disinterested outsiders called attention to their inferior position and their hardships, and awoke them to a sense of these and made them organise to resist the noblemen and capitalists that Labour Unions began to spring up all over the world. Their weapon against their opponents was non-cooperation or "the Strike." This is a more deadly weapon even than the rifle. For if workmen resolve on a general strike against the State or against the Capitalists, the results make themselves felt all over the country more surely than does a war. They have this power because certain talented persons who were not themselves labourers were constituted leaders and guides and have shown the workers how to organise themselves and how to arrange a strike and with this weapon to make themselves a power in society.

Workers' Leadership.

But now the labourers finding themselves with this influence have of their own accord adopted the doctrine of equality. In England and France as a consequence the labour unions once established have tended to drive out of the union those leaders who are not themselves workers. This tendency has been growing for the past twenty or thirty years and is due to the fact that the workers have followed the wrong road and adopted the false doctrine regarding equality. As a result the workers are left without competent leadership and their unions large and important as they are, are little by little losing their influence. In China too recently and especially since the revolution large numbers of trade unions have grown up and many of their leaders are not themselves workers. We cannot assert that all these leaders are looking for the good of the workers: some of them pretend to do so while they fill their own pockets—there are not a few such. But there are also a number who do really exert themselves on behalf of the labourers; and it is the business of the labourers to distinguish clearly which is which. At present the doctrine of equality is doing harm in China too. I have just seen a working class publication which prints two mottoes, one is "No long coats among our leaders!" and the other "The workers fight for bread not for votes." This is the same spirit as that which drove the non workers out of the European unions; and moreover the European unions are seeking influence in politics. For Government is the most important thing in a state and concerns the happiness of all the people and

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CHEQUE MYSTERY.

LONDON BANK INVOLVED.

Paris. A £64,250 cheque mystery involving a London bank is being investigated by the Paris police.

Three persons have already been detained in connection with the affair. They are M. Maurice Montti, of the Société Foncière de Calados, a French private bank; Mme. Marguerite Montazel, a pretty war widow; and M. Georges Mantelet, the widow's lover, who was the chief accountant of the Société Foncière de Calados.

The Midland (Overseas) Bank, of London, in April last received two alleged transfer letters which appeared to emanate from the Banque de l'Union Parisienne on behalf of one of its clients, M. Pierre Dorfevre. This bank was asked for the transfer to the Westminster (Foreign) Bank £64,250 to the account of a M. Pierre Dorfevre.

The order was carried out. As soon as it learned of the operation, the Banque de l'Union Parisienne sent a representative to London to report that the alleged transfer letters were bogus.

The bank at once took proceedings, with the result that M. Montti was arrested.

M. Dorfevre, a customer of the Société Foncière de Calados, could not be found when the police looked for him at the address he had given. So far no such person can be traced.

The examining magistrate, M. Genty, has found that letters written by M. Dorfevre bore a remarkable resemblance to the handwriting of Mme. Marguerite Montazel, who, like M. Montti, pleads complete innocence.

Her lover, Mr. Mantelet, has declared that M. Montti paid the £64,250 to M. Dorfevre in his presence, he himself blotting the signature which the supposed M. Dorfevre wrote upon the receipt.

Peace in China must come soon.—Marshal Chang Tso-lin.

without good government nothing can be done.

Government Indictment.

The fact that China is so oppressed economically by foreigners and loses a hundred and twenty million dollars a year is due to the badness of the Chinese Government which prevents our economic recovery. Nearly half this loss is due to the adverse balance of trade and falls on the workers because China's factories do not prosper. Now Chinese workers draw the lowest wages in the world, and they work the longest hours of any. How is it then that Chinese made goods cannot compete with foreign imports? Why should our manufacturers lose five hundred millions a year? Because of the weakness of our Government. If our government were strong enough to keep this sum in the country, then we should have five hundred millions more every year to spend on bread. If the Government was strong enough to impose a high protective tariff, it could keep these foreign imports out and our workmen would get the money instead of the foreigners, and our home industries would flourish. The Hankow workmen say politics do not concern them. So long as they hold this view, they will not insist that the Government impose a high tariff, boycott foreign goods and support home industries; and until this is done, Chinese industries will not grow up and workmen will find no work to do. Is this the way to get bread? This argument proves that the workers are too ignorant to lead themselves. They do not realise the connection between bread and economics and Government.

Working For Ideal.

To sum up, Democracy is the important thing and includes liberty which by itself may be good or bad.

I have spoken elsewhere of three types into which mankind may be grouped: men of original intellect, men who can understand, and men who are ignorant. The first are expounders, the second propagandists and the last those who bring the thing to pass. When these all work together progress comes swiftly.

Men are born unequal but equality in an ideal to be worked for. How can we attain this ideal?

There are two kinds of men. The selfish who uses his natural powers to deprive others for his own benefit. He is typical of pre-revolution times. Then there is the unselfish man who uses his ability for others' good. He is the true revolutionary. When all men are like him, and each of the three types I spoke of does his proper duty, then we shall find equality not of powers but of virtue.

[The fourth lecture of this series will appear in Wednesday's "China Mail."]

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

August 1—Queen's Theatre: "The Road to Yesterday."

August 1—World Theatre: "A Woman of the World."

August 1—Star Theatre: Kowloon: "The Clash of the Wolves."

August 2—Concert by Miss V. Capel and her Company of amateur entertainers the "J-Pans."

August 3—Josef Borisoff, world famous violinist performs his 100th concert, at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9.15 p.m.

August 4-5-6—Pot-pourri entertainment by the Wild Swan Co. optimists at Royal Naval Canteen Theatre, 8.30 each evening.

August 6—Charles Chamier presents "Our Cabaret," in a series of intimate Revues, beginning with "Cocktails," at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, 9.30 p.m.

August 6, 8—Benno Moiseiwitch, world-renowned pianist, gives his recitals at the Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

August 22—Social Service for Service men on the roof of St. Peter's Y.M. Club.

August 8—Concert by Leo Podolsky, famous pianist, and Vera Mirova, premiere danseuse, Queen's Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

Lammert's Auctions.

August 4-5—Household furniture, pictures, curios, etc., of the late Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens, No. 5, Peak Road, 11 a.m.

September 15—Valuable properties in the New Territories, at Messrs. Lammert's Sales Room, 8, Duddell Street, 11 a.m.

August 2—Water Polo Association Meeting at Victoria Recreation Club, 6 p.m.

August 18—Meeting of Creditors of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Taxicab Co., Ltd., Liquidators Office, 3, Queen's Road Central, H. K. noon.

Miscellaneous.

August 5—Whist drive at St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.

August 8—Social for Service men at St. Peter's Y.M. Club House.

August 13—Moonlight bathing picnic under the auspices of St. Peter's Y.M. Club.

August 26—Whist drive at St. John's Cathedral Hall.

"THIRD DEGREE" METHODS.

In a case heard in the Appeal Court at Brooklyn, counsel argued that the conviction of Frank Puglisi for robbery should be set aside on the ground that the admissions made by Puglisi had been forced from him by the "third degree"—the beating of the prisoner by detectives after his arrest.

"There is not a police station in the city," said counsel, "which is not equipped with lengths of rubber hose for beating prisoners."

The detectives involved denied the beating of the man, and said that any rough treatment he had received was due to his attempt to escape. Counsel replied that Puglisi could not have attempted flight, as he was between two officers in a motor-car and manacled to one. He asserted that prisoner's injuries included two broken ribs. The court reserved its decision.

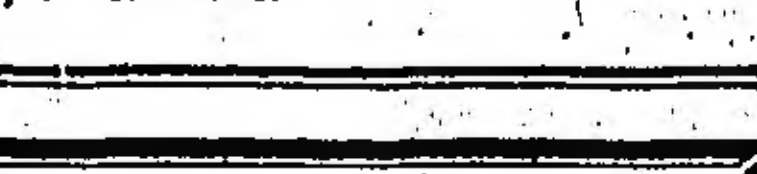
In connection with this case it is recalled here that Mrs. Ruth Snyder, accused with Judd Gray of murdering the former's husband, asked the court to delete her confession of the crime from the evidence on the ground that the police had secured the same by questioning her for long hours at a stretch, preventing her going to sleep, and roughly awakening her when she dozed from exhaustion.

THE TSETSE FLY.

Dr. Arthur Torrance, with a party of nine, including five scientists, will sail for Africa next September, under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, and several New York Institutes, to study the tsetse fly from the medical standpoint. The itinerary of the expedition is as follows: From Socorro on the Gold Coast, to Kurnasi by train, then overland in automobiles to Timbuctoo. From Timbuctoo the party will portage down the Niger River to Kabba, in Nigeria, then to Yola, on Lake Tchad, in French Equatorial Africa. Next the journey will be through the elephant country to Albertville, via Stanleyville. The party will go to Ujiji, where Stanley found Livingstone, on Lake Tanganyika, and from this lake they proceed to Tabora by railroad. After some lion hunting the party will go to Dar-es-Salaam, on the east coast, and continue to Zanzibar by boat, where the trip ends.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Injured in the hand during blasting operations on the hillside at Telegraph Bay on Saturday, a Chinese had to go to the Government Civil Hospital to have his injuries attended to.

A head printer of the "Chinese Mail" was on Saturday charged before Major Willson at the Central Magistracy with the theft of three bales of newsprint from printing office of the newspaper. He was fined \$50, or, in default, four weeks' jail.

Judge Beazley, at Hull, held that the Spurn was a port within the meaning of the Pilotage Act of 1913. He gave judgment against the Federated Coal and Shipping Company, Ltd., of Cardiff, in a test case brought by the Humber Conservancy Board to recover pilotage dues.

Addressing a Liberal meeting at Edinburgh, Sir Herbert Samuel condemned the frequent scenes of disorder in the House of Commons owing to the misconduct of Labour members from Clydeside. "The House of Commons," he said, "is the nation's own house. Whatever may be its party composition, it is the creation of the people. Whoever degrades the House of Commons insults the nation."

Great mystery surrounds the arrival in Calanissetta, Sicily, of a coffin with the corpse of a citizen of that town, Luigi Lamentola, who was stabbed to death on the morning of May 21 last, in New York, when he was about to leave by steamer for his native country. Instead his body only arrived enclosed in a heavy casket and "two metal cases," which ten men were barely able to carry, and no other information was received.

Guardman Skiller, of the 2nd Battalion, Grenadier Guards, stationed at Victoria Barracks, Windsor, was found in the grounds of Windsor in a dying condition, and he expired half an hour after his admission to the King Edward VII. Hospital. Shortly after Skiller went on duty the police heard the report of a gun, and on proceeding to the spot they discovered the guardman lying on the ground with a gunshot wound in the head.

Hearing his mother shouting his name above the screams of other women, Mr. William Henry Orwin, a stevedore, of Bourne-street, Hull, dived from a houseboat into the River Hull at Hull Bridge, ten miles from Hull, and rescued two of the eleven occupants of a rowing boat which had capsized. Mr. Orwin first rescued his mother and then swam after another woman, who was being carried away by the current. He seized her clothing and managed to get her to the bank. All the eleven—including several young children—were rescued.

Owing to lack of current the Peak Tramway was stopped from 8.40 this morning for 20 minutes.

The death took place, at the age of 64, at Fovant, near Salisbury, of Mr. Harry Hitchings, one of the best-known agriculturists in South-West England. For many years he held office in Hampshire Down Sheepbreeders' Association.



James Rockwell Sheffield, U.S. Ambassador to Mexico, who born the brunt of the difficulties with the Calles regime, has resigned.

A thrilling fight to the death between two ducks and two swans was witnessed by a large crowd on Canal Bridge at Oxford. Presumably the cause of the fight was the fact that the ducks went too near the harbour, in which three cygnets were swimming, and, resenting the trespass on their domain, the swans attacked the unfortunate ducks from behind.

Two boys at Lower Darwen, Blackburn, found an abandoned overcoat hanging on some railings. In one of the pockets was a flask of gunpowder, and out of curiosity John Southworth, 12, and Robert Saul, 13, struck a match to see what would happen. A deafening explosion, which was heard two miles away, followed, and both boys were badly scorched.

Starvation and old age was certified as the cause of death of a Chinese 70 years of age, named Tan Choon-wha, found dead on the pavement of one of the streets in Singapore.

The Kowloon Fire Brigade was called out yesterday to attend an outbreak in a cracker shop at No. 105, Reclamation Street, Mongkok. The blaze was extinguished in a few minutes, and only slight damage was done to some paper cracker boxes.

At seven o'clock on Saturday night the Star Ferry, on reaching Kowloon, crashed into the wharf with considerable violence, considerably alarming the passengers on board. Two of the huge vertical beams on the wharf were reduced almost to splinters.

A partially blind man, Thomas Spencer (74), described as a grocer, was charged at Lambeth Police Court with placing himself in a public thoroughfare for the purpose of gathering alms. He was found to have upon him three £100 Bank of England notes, four £1 Treasury notes, £4 10s. in gold, £3 1s. 6d. in silver, and 1s. 0 1/2d. in bronze.

There was a large attendance of Service men and civilians at the Kowloon Dock bathing beach yesterday afternoon when the Band of the Queen's Royal Regiment, under Band Sgt. E. Manley, rendered selections and refreshments were provided at a nominal charge by ladies and other helpers from the Dock. The sum raised by these concerts in charges to civilians for admission is to be devoted to a fund for organising a swimming gala for the Services at the end of the season.

The Duke of Montrose, Mr. Rudyard Kipling, and Mr. P. H. Devitt, honorary members, were among those who took part in the Ceremony of Admittance at a special meeting of the Company of Master Mariners, held in the Library of Trinity House. The honorary members were welcomed by Sir R. Burton Chadwick, M.P., the Deputy Master, who said they also included in their honorary membership Admiral of the Fleet Earl Jellicoe, the son of a master mariner, and himself one of our greatest British seamen, and also the Lord Mayor of London, who is Admiral of the Port of London. "We are all of us conscious," he concluded, "that the status of the British officer is not what it should be, and we are determined that this company shall be so constructed and administered that it will tend to raise the status of the whole Service."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Eight Ministers, of the Crown were present at the luncheon to Mr. R. D. Blumenfeld to celebrate his forty years' service in Fleet Street. The Chancellor of the Exchequer presided.



Mr. Herbert Janvrin Browne, of Washington, D.C., who has forecast accurately the weather one year ahead. He predicted that 1927 will be a year without a summer in the U.S.A.

Mr. Leonard Worden, town clerk of Whitehaven, has been appointed clerk-solicitor to the Urban District Council of Henden at a salary of £1,150. Mr. Henry Humphris, who has been clerk for thirty-two years, is retiring on superannuation.

The Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's have appointed the sub-organist, Dr. Stanley Marchant, to the post of organist, vacant by the death of Dr. Charles Macpherson. Dr. Marchant was formerly organist at St. Peter's, Eaton Square, and was appointed sub-organist at St. Paul's Cathedral in March, 1916, when the late Dr. Macpherson's appointment took effect.

A red, white, and blue wreath of geraniums, marguerites, and cornflowers, with the word "Upwards," was the tribute of Alla Nazimova, the famous film actress, to Mr. Jerome K. Jerome, who was cremated at Golders-green. It was the only wreath placed in the chapel, where a brief and simple committal service was conducted by the Rev. H. Trundle, the crematorium chaplain.

Among through passengers arrived by the A.M.L. s.s. "President Madison" from Manila were Captain Adam J. Bennett and Lieut. C. F. Bond for Shanghai; Senator Hiram Bingham, Mr. Woodbridge Bingham, Dr. J. L. and Mrs. Hydrick, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Herrier and Captain Samuel W. Stephens for San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McGrath for Los Angeles.

Archdeacon Lovett, whose appointment to the new bishopric of Portsmouth was gazetted recently is 58 years of age, and elder brother of Sir Verney Lovett, the distinguished ex-member of the Viceroy's Council, and now Reader in Indian History at Oxford University. Ordained in 1892, the Archdeacon served at Clifton and in Kent, as well as in the Isle of Wight, where he was one of the island's rural deans.

There was a large attendance at the funeral at Macao yesterday of Mr. Lee Lim-loc, the well-known millionaire Chinese resident who had so closely associated himself with all movements for the welfare of the Portuguese Colony. All flags in the Colony were at half-mast. The s.s. "Tashan" made a special trip from Hong Kong bearing many friends of the family who were present at the funeral.

The Royal Society of Edinburgh announce that the Macdougall Brisbane Prize for the period 1924-1925 has been awarded by the council to Dr. Charles Morley Wenyon, Director-in-Chief, Wellcome Bureau of Scientific Research, for his distinguished work in protozoology; and that the James Scott Prize for the period 1922-25 for a lecture or essay on the fundamental concepts of Natural Philosophy has been awarded to Sir Joseph Larmor, Cambridge.

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The Week-End Sporting Programme.

LOCAL BOXING NOTES.

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THE SMALL CRICKET-BALL.

(By "The Tramp.")

The week-end sporting programme was partially arrested by the inclement weather, though most of Saturday's fixtures were played off. Tennis, however, suffered, and only two league matches were disposed of. In the lawn bowls games there were one or two surprises. The Bowling Green Club ran Takoo to a draw, and the T.R.C. second string could do no more than draw with the Recreo. Craigengower secured a brace of victories, at the expense of the Civil Service and East Point. Despite the surprises, the league tables remain as they were. The Chinese Amateur Athletic Association sustained two soccer defeats from Service teams, and in the baseball only the Saturday game, well won by the Hong Kong B.C., was possible, the Happy Valley diamond being considered too waterlogged to permit of the "Tigers" (S.C.A.A.) meeting the Japanese yesterday. To-day there is a game between the U.S.S. "Helena" and an all-Hong Kong team. Rain spoiled the Happy Valley Summer golf meeting.

Friend Brook, the hard-working manager of the Hong Kong Boxing Association, issues an interesting statement regarding A.B. Ewin. This appears in another part of this paper. He also announces that the local season will open on the first Saturday in November. In this connection he takes me to task for what I wrote the other day in connection with "hot weather" boxing. He thinks I should know better than even to murmur that tournaments could be held later in the year than they are held. Well, it was only a little suggestion, and I suppose he knows more about local conditions than I do.

In the small cricket ball, I wonder, achieving the object for which it was introduced? A glance through the county cricket results telegraphed to Hong Kong on Saturday last would indicate that it is. Bowlers had the upper hand in most of the matches, and in all only two centuries were recorded. The most remarkable incident was the dismissal of Yorkshire for 67, Jupp of Northants taking seven wickets for 21 runs. Then there was Somerset's small score, the westerners being able only to raise one more than did Yorks, which is worthy of note seeing that they were playing Glamorganshire, a county not over blessed with bowling talent. Very few of the county totals exceeded a couple of hundred runs. Rhodes showed that he is still a bowler to be reckoned with.

I have just heard from Mr. Dennis H. Hazel well known in local tennis circles, who has been participating in the Jeram Club annual tennis tournament, winning, with Mr. E. N. W. Oliver, the men's doubles and, with Mrs. Bucknell, the mixed doubles. He says he is now laying at the top of his form. Regarding the first named final, which was won against Wyatt-Smith and Clifton 8-6, 7-5, the "Straits Budget" says:—

"Oliver and Hazel, playing together for the first time, proved a very fine combination, and more should be seen of this pair. Both were very powerful overhead and good volleyers while their services were good. Despite the heavy handicap (owe 40 against 1) they deservedly won though the semi-final against Hovill and Digby was a close thing, the score being 6-2, 4-6, 8-6."

In the mixed doubles, Mrs. Bucknell and Hazel (owe 4) beat Mrs. Edwards and H. G. L. Richards (owe 3) 6-2, 6-4.

LOCAL BASEBALL.

GOOD WIN FOR KONG HONG B.C.

GAME THIS AFTERNOON.

With the score at 5-2 against them at the end of the fourth inning, the Hong Kong Baseball Club pulled the game round against the Club de Recreo yesterday and ran out winners by 10-7.

From the spectators' point of view the match would have been a very dull affair but for the splendid recovery of the Club when they notched eight runs in the fifth inning.

C. Remedios, the Recreo pitcher, was holding his opponents down in a praiseworthy manner up to the fifth inning when the batters appeared to have "got the measure" of him. Bowker started the fun with a two-bagger and brought in Lesser from first base. McArdle also reached the second sack on a hit and with things looking pretty bad for the Portuguese boys, J. Alvares relieved Remedios as pitcher but could not improve matters.

Four runs had been scored in this one inning, nobody was down and bases were full, when Burroll made a mighty hit past centre-field which looked good for a home run, but the batter only reached third.

In the last inning, the Recreo had five runs to make to tie the score, but only two of their players managed to reach the plate.

The teams lined up as follows:

H.K.B.C.	C. de R.
Murray	3b Gosano
Burrell	1b J. Alvares
Muccio	cf C. Pereira
Lesser	2b M. Barros
Bowker	s.s. H. Alves
Cockey	p. C. Remedios
McArdle	lf L. Rocha
Craven	rf H. Barros
Mahon	c. A. Alvares
Boyd	C. Figueiredo
Rosikoff	

Umpires:—Ho and Zafra.

LEAGUE TABLE.

The positions in the League to date are:—

	P.	W.	L.
"Dragons"	4	4	0
Japanese B.C.C.	4	3	1
Hong Kong B.C.C.	5	3	2
Club de Recreo	5	2	3
Elipino B.C.C.	2	0	2
"Tigers"	4	0	4

Game For To-day.

The league match between the "Tigers" and the Japanese, scheduled for yesterday, was postponed.

There will be a baseball game to-day, at Happy Valley, the U.S.S. "Helena" nine playing the All Hong Kong at 4 p.m.

S. Hachiuma, of the managing committee of the All Hong Kong team, has announced the following as the line-up:—S. L. Lee, S. S. Lee Zafra, Leonard, S. Hachiuma, Gozano, Alves, Kusano, Rocha, Cockey, Y. Hachiuma, Murata, and Shim.

KING ALFONSO'S CUP.

SPANISH-AMERICAN YACHT RACE.

New York, Saturday.

King Alfonso has presented a cup for competition between Spanish and American yachts over an ocean course between New York, and Santander. The first race will be held next July.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

MEXICO WIN AGAINST JAPAN.

St. Louis, Saturday.

Kinsey and Butlin (Mexico) beat Harada and Shimidzu (Japan) 7-5, 6-2, 2-6, 3-6, 6-3.—Reuter.

Mr. Hazell and Mr. Abed have entered for the Malayan Open championship doubles, which will be held at Kuala Lumpur during the August holidays, and the late Hong Kong player is partnering Mrs. Bucknell in the mixed doubles.

I am told that the V.R.C. has decided to cut out the Annual Aquatics this year and to run the majority of the championship events at Night Fete. At the next Fete on August 20, the 100 yards backstroke championship of the Colony and the 100 yards Services championship will be held.

TWO ARMY WINS.

Chinese Beaten At Soccer.

INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY.

Fine Defence Play By Cameroonians.

With their teams rather depleted by the absence on the Australian tour of some of their best players, the South China Athletic Association suffered two defeats at the hands of Service teams at Sookumpoo on Saturday afternoon, when friendly matches were played in aid of the fund being raised to defray the expenses of the Colony's athletes who will take part in the Far Eastern Olympiad.

In both matches, against the Cameroonians and an eleven picked from the 15th Infantry Brigade, respectively, the Chinese lost by three goals to nil.

In spite of the fact that they were playing on very slippery ground, to which the Chinese are naturally more accustomed, the Cameroonians played a sterling game against their more fleet-footed opponents. Their defence was beyond reproach, and it was thanks to this that the Chinese were unable to make any headway. It was rarely that they got past the backs, and then the shots they directed toward goal were handled in a businesslike manner by the Cameroonians' custodian.

At the other end the soldiers met with some stiff opposition for a time, but, after a spell of relentless attacking, they had the enemy's citadel at their mercy, and banded in three goals without reply. The Chinese seemed to lose heart after the first goal and did not play with the same judgment which they exhibited earlier in the game. This cost them dearly, and when two more goals came, the large crowd of Chinese supporters began to leave long before the game was due to finish. Toward the end the Chinese rallied well and had their full share of the exchanges, but, try as they would, they could not make any impression on the soldiers' stonewall defence. When the final whistle came the Chinese were the losers by three goals, being unable to score even once.

Infantry on Top.

The second match between the Chinese and the 15th Infantry Brigade provided hardly more thrills. The soldiers were a well balanced team and more than a match for the Chinese, even in the matter of speed, for which the latter are noted.

There was midfield play for the first few minutes, the opposing teams employing the time as "feelers." Then the soldiers got going and soon things were made pretty hot for the Chinese. They were able to relieve the pressure only temporarily, and after two weak clearances, in which the ball was not sent more than half a dozen yards down the field, the soldiers came in with a dash and the ball was in the net before the Chinese goalkeeper realised what was happening. The Chinese made some abortive attacks after this and then the soldiers again went on the warpath. Once more the Chinese defence was beaten with a long shot which had the goalkeeper baffled. There was no more "damage" done until half time.

In the second half the Chinese got together better and for a time the soldiers could not get very far beyond the centre line. The Chinese, on the other hand, managed to get the ball into the soldiers' territory by means of long kicks, which, however, they were unable to follow up. The soldiers' third goal, like the others, came with painful suddenness. After the Chinese had spoiled two promising raids, the soldiers' centre forward trapped the ball from a kick away by the Chinese, and before anyone had realised what was happening he had broken through, thanks to a beautiful piece of combination with the inside left. A slight tap of the ball from one man to another was followed by a swift side kick, and the ball was lodged in a corner of the net before the Chinese custodian saw it coming.

The Chinese made several brave attempts to reduce the lead, but they seldom got behind the half-back line. Only once did they get the ball past the backs and then it was a soft ground shot which the soldiers' custodian easily scooped up and punted away. Toward the close the soldiers had an excellent chance to add a fourth goal when they were awarded a penalty, but the shot went wide. The final whistle came immediately afterward, leaving the soldiers victors by three goals to nil.

DAVIS CUP.

A SUGGESTION FOR HONG KONG.

PROMOTION OF CONCORD.

[Contributed.]

The Hong Kong Cricket Club has done much for sport and sportmen in this Colony, and athletes and spectators feel grateful. One of the finest things they ever did was about ten years ago when they instituted the Open Singles and Doubles Tennis Championship Competition. That was a happy inspiration, and its realisation has not only given joy to hundreds and a fillip to local tennis but has proved to be a powerful force for good, a binding and harmonising factor, a welder of good feeling between nationalities and a destroyer of petty and foolish differences. It has put life into tennis here; and that game, which before the war was in a moribund state, a family and club affair, is now one of the most potent powers in the sporting life of the Colony. For about two months every year the cricket ground is a sort of international sports arena, a miniature tennis Olympia where Tom, Dick and Harry, or rather Smith, Chan Silva, Singh, Khan and Mitsui meet

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American baseball on page 5.

In friendly rivalry, and where the play, not the individual, is the thing. This delightful keen and clean competition is now one of the Colony's institutions and its stoppage would be regarded by many as a calamity. The sportsmanship of players like the Hancock brothers, Nesbitt, Ng Sze-kwong, Honda, the Rumjans and others has done more in the way of barrier-breaking and promotion of camaraderie than a hundred sermons could do. And so we take our hats off to the Hong Kong Cricket Club.

It seems to us that there is a

LOCAL BOXING.

SEASON OPENING IN NOVEMBER.

ABLE-SEAMAN EWIN.

The boxing season in Hong Kong will open officially on the first Saturday in November. Able-Seaman Ewin, of H.M.S. "Hermes," retiring welterweight and ex-middle-weight champion of the Colony, is shortly leaving the Navy and is going under contract to the British Boxing Board of Control. He will be trained by Mat. Wells, ex-light-weight champion of England, at Blackfriars, London.

splendid chance to further this good work. Why not a Hong Kong Davis Cup Competition for the benefit of charity? What "soccer" has been doing in this department surely tennis can do. Nor, we are certain, would the Cricket Club be one whit behind the Football Club in such a laudable effort. When the annual tennis tournament is over and before the stands are taken down, while hundreds are talking tennis and discussing and disputing the merits of certain pairs and individuals a knock-out international competition on Davis Cup lines would fetch a goodly sum. What football has done for local charity—by means of the "Sunday Herald" Cup competition—tennis can do. We have the spectators willing to pay and a galaxy of nations likely to participate: Britain (or perhaps England, Scotland and Ireland) America, Portugal, Holland, China, India, and Japan. Now you Rotarians, Internationalists, Cosmopolitans, and Humanists—here you have a unique chance of putting theory into practice! Yeford and Carnegies full of the milk of human kindness and desirous of promoting international goodwill, here is your opportunity! [At the conclusion of last year's tennis tournament, an exhibition match was played in aid of the funds of the M.C.L. There is thus precedent for charity to benefit though the inauguration of a Hong Kong Davis Cup competition. —Ed. "C.M."]

FREDDIE WELSH.

DIED IN "COMFORTABLE" CIRCUMSTANCES.

PROPERTY IN AMERICA.

New York, Yesterday. Freddie Welsh was buried here to-day. The pall-bearers were Mickey Walker, Benny Leonard, McTigue and Johnny Dundee. His brother announced that he did not die in poverty as was generally believed. He owned property in California for which he refused an offer of \$80,000 and also had real estate in New York worth \$45,000.—Reuter.

KING'S AIR CUP.

WON BY W. L. HOPE IN BABY MOTH.

London, Saturday.

The annual air race for the King's Cup attracted 17 starters, including Lady Bailey. The course was over 46 miles from Hushnall Aerodrome to Nottingham. The race was won by W. L. Hope, flying a D. H. 80 horse-power, in five hours, 50 minutes, 40 seconds. Flying conditions were bad.—Reuter.

Big and Little Engines.

Rugby, Saturday.

Eighteen pilots, including one woman, Lady Abe Bailey, who is flying her own Moth aeroplane, started to-day in the air race for the King's Cup over a course of two circuits, each of about 130 miles.

One of the circuits will be traversed twice, making a total distance of 540 miles. What is regarded as the fastest aeroplane in the Royal Air Force, the Avro Napier "Avenger," gives five hours start to the smallest machine in the race, the "Anec Second." The "Anec's" engine is only forty horse power and contrasts strikingly with the Hawker Rolls Royce bombing plane with its 700 horse power engine, which is also competing.

V.R.C. FETE.

Second Night Gala Success.

THE PRIZE LIST.

Army Beats Navy In Water Polo Game.

The second night swimming fete of the Victoria Recreation Club held on Saturday was another success, and a large gathering enjoyed a fine evening's sport. Afterward dance music was provided by the Lyric Orchestra, and many couples took the floor.

During an interval between the dancing the prizes won during the evening were distributed by Mrs. W. T. Southern, who was accompanied by her husband, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern (Colonial Secretary). At the conclusion she was thanked by Mr. Cooke, Secretary of the Club, who expressed the hope that Mrs. Southern would come to see many more of their night fetes. Three cheers were then called for Mrs. Southern, the response being very hearty.

The results of the evening's sport were as follows:

100 yards handicap for members.—1, A. Victor; 2, R. Strange. 100 yards handicap for boys 16 and under.—1, F. Anslow; 2, J. S. Lyon.

50 yards handicap for ladies.—Miss Phyllis Hunt; 2, Miss Mary Crossan.

Open high dive.—1, W. Urquhart; 2, E. Rosa.

Team race.—Won by Mr. Strange's team composed of Messrs. Assumpcao, G. Noronha, J. Alarink, da Silva and A. Noronha. Water Polo.—Army beat Navy by five goals to two.



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LEAGUE TENNIS.

TWO MATCHES PLAYED
ON SATURDAY.

R.E.S. AND UNIVERSITY.

Saturday's matches in the local tennis League were confined to the "B" Division, in which two games were played.

The Royal Engineers, who were occupying the bottom rung of the ladder, did well to beat the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

The University, playing away, decisively defeated the Kowloon C.C.

In the "C" Division, Kowloon C.C. received a walk-over from Craigengower C.C.

Recreio Preparing.

The Club de Recreio, who are bracketed with the Chinese R.C. in the "B" Division for the championship, had a friendly set-to with the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha "A" team and acquitted themselves well, losing by the narrow margin of 13 games.

It is understood that the tie between the Chinese and the Recreio "B" will be played off next Saturday, August 6.

"B" Division.

M.B.K. v. R.E.

At Kowloon, the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha lost to the Royal Engineers by 11 games. Scores:—

Y. Kikuchi and W. Tanaka

(M.B.K.):—

lost to Col. C. Russell-

Brown and H. White ... 3-8

lost to A. Higgs and H.

Trumper ... 4-7

lost to S. Purcell and R.

Earl ... 3-8

10-23

G. Nakamura and Y. Koyama

(M.B.K.):—

beat Col. C. Russell-

Brown and H. White ... 7-4

lost to A. Higgs and H.

Trumper ... 3-8

beat S. Purcell and R.

Earl ... 11-0

21-12

(M.B.K.):—

lost to Col. C. Russell-

Brown and H. White ... 4-7

lost to A. Higgs and H.

Trumper ... 5-6

lost to S. Purcell and R.

Earl ... 4-7

19-20

(Total: M.B.K. 44, R.E. 55).

K.C.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

On home ground, the Kowloon

C.C. lost to the University by 25

games. Scores:—

C. H. Atkins and E. Abraham

(K.C.C.):—

lost to W. M. Gittins and

T. L. Ju ... 5-6

lost to T. K. Tan and G. de

Souza ... 5-6

lost to D. K. Samy and

B. P. Ng ... 1-10

11-22

W. Woodward and K. A.

Carstensen (K.C.C.):—

lost to W. M. Gittins and

T. L. Ju ... 2-9

lost to T. K. Tan and G. de

Souza ... 3-8

lost to D. K. Samy and B. P.

Ng ... 4-7

17-16

(Total: K.C.C. 37, University 62).

Friendly Match.

RECREIO v. M.B.K.

In a friendly match on home

ground, the Club de Recreio lost

to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha by

13 games. Scores:—

J. Silva and F. Remedios

beat Honda and Akiyama ... 6-5

beat Fujita and Ema ... 7-4

beat Unotaro and Edo ... 6-5

19-14

E. Noronha and C. Barretto

(C. de R.):—

lost to Honda and Akiyama ... 2-9

lost to Fujita and Ema ... 5-6

beat Unotaro and Edo ... 6-5

13-20

F. Ribeiro and E. de Sousa

(C. de R.):—

lost to Honda and Akiyama ... 2-9

lost to Fujita and Ema ... 5-6

lost to Unotaro and Edo ... 4-7

11-22

(Total: C. de R. 43, M.B.K. 56).

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to

date are:—

Division "A."

P. W. L.

Chinese R.C. ... 6 6 0

Indian R.C. ... 5 4 1

Kowloon C.C. ... 6 4 2

University ... 6 3 3

Mitsui Bussan Kaisha ... 6 1 6

United Services R.C. ... 6 1 4

Hong Kong C.C. ... 6 1 5

Division "B."

P. W. L.

Chinese R.C. ... 10 1 1

Club de Recreio ... 10 1 1

Indian R.C. ... 9 2 2

Craigengower C.C. ... 10 6 4

Nippon Club ... 9 5 4

United Services R.C. ... 8 4 4

South China A.A. ... 11 4 7

Hong Kong C.C. ... 9 3 6

University ... 10 3 7

Royal Engineers ... 9 2 7

Mitsui Bussan Kaisha ... 11 2 3

Kowloon C.C. ... 8 1 7

Division "C."

P. W. L.

Chinese R.C. ... 9 9 0

Nippon Club ... 9 9 0

Club de Recreio ... 8 6 3

Craigengower C.C. ... 9 6 3

South China A.A. ... 8 4 4

Kowloon C.C. ... 9 4 5

R.A.O.C. ... 7 3 4

Hong Kong C.C. ... 9 3 6

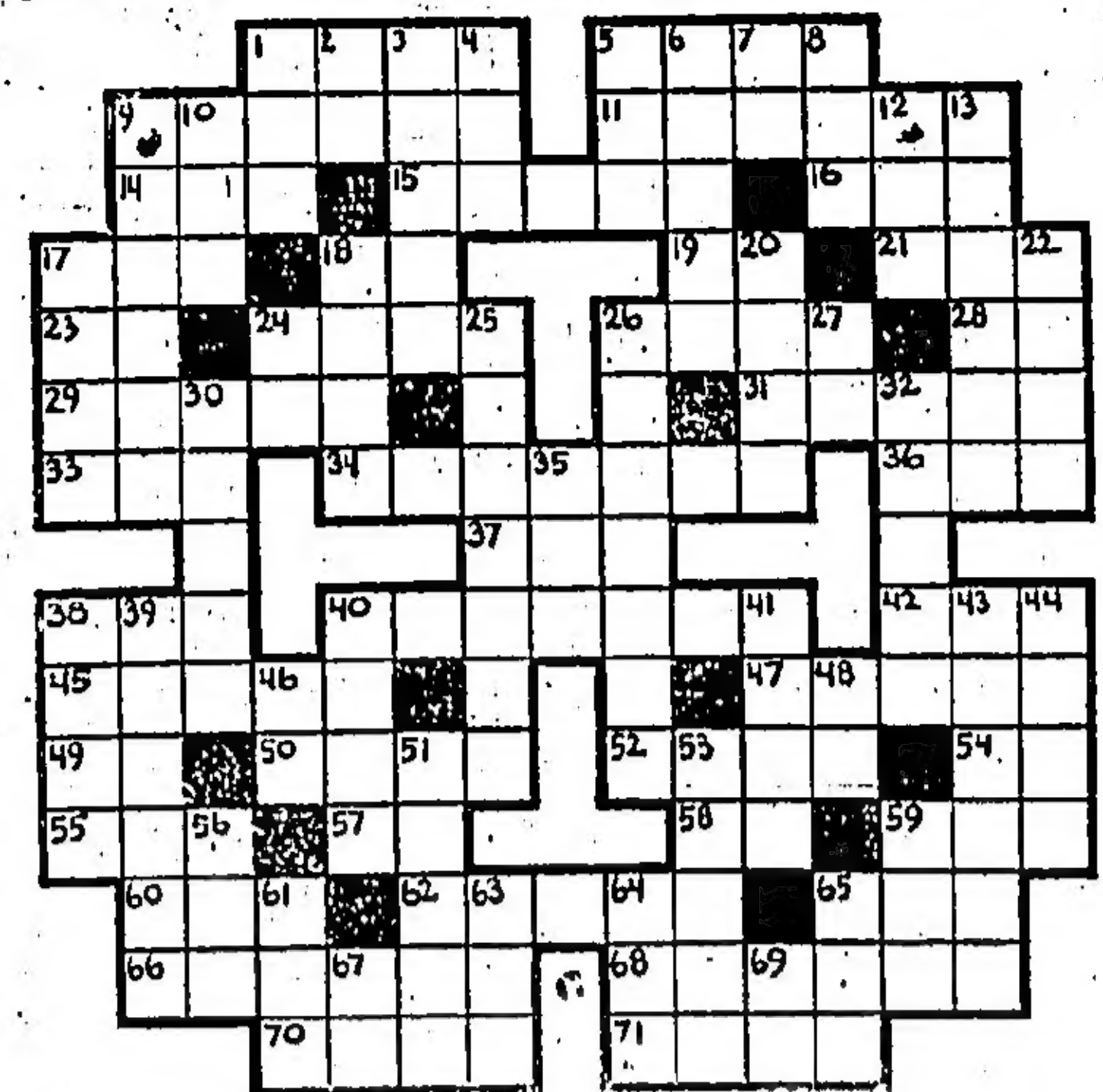
Netherlands T.C. ... 10 3 7

K.B.S.F.P.A. ... 10 2 8

Taikoo R.C. ... 7 0 7

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Popular &
- 2-American drink
- 3-To melt, as snow
- 4-Musical instrument
- 11-Capital of Cuba
- 14-Free of
- 15-Most popular
- 16-Prince in world
- 18-A heavenly body
- 17-Very warm
- 18-Promissory note
- 20-Thames (abbr.)
- 21-To spread for drying
- 23-A broad thoroughfare
- 24-Leda
- 26-To excel
- 28-Personal pronoun
- 29-Familiar salutation
- 31-Fresh
- 32-A drink
- 34-Entertainment
- 36-Apt
- 37-Sorrowful
- 38-To nudge
- 40-That which uses a string
- 42-Suffix denoting an agent
- 45-Citrus
- 47-Kuen
- 49-The (French)
- 50-A metal

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 52-Precious
- 54-States of U. S. (abbr.)
- 55-Prefixed Three
- 57-Country of Europe (abbr.)
- 58-North latitude
- 59-Energy (slang)
- 60-Poem
- 62-A well-known picture
- 65-Possessive pronoun
- 66-Race; tribe
- 68-A seaport, N. E. Morocco
- 70-A walking-stick
- 71-Idealical Academy?
- 72-Middle
- 73-Near
- 74-Tan-colored
- 75-Time period
- 76-Article
- 78-Spread
- 79-Prefixed. Away
- 80-Exalted
- 81-To creep on the earth
- 82-Out (S. Afr. D.)
- 83-A fruit with woody shell
- 84-Possessive pronoun
- 85-Shouting
- 87-N, new State of U. S. (abbr.)
- 89-Trade mark (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 22-Small hole
- 24-State (abbr.)
- 25-Time during which a court sits
- 26-Spanned
- 27-Toward
- 28-A shelf of rock
- 32-Sprout of a plant
- 33-Of a reddish brown color
- 38-To shake
- 39-King of the fairies, "Night's Dream"
- 40-Slave
- 41-Genuine
- 43-On what River is the U. S. Naval Academy?
- 44-To ensnare
- 45-A musical note
- 46-Prefixed. Form of "fast"
- 51-A constellation
- 53-Combining form. Nine
- 56-Girl's name
- 58-A vegetable
- 61-"And so forth" (abbr.)
- 63-Combining form. Nine
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(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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WHITCOMBE WINS BIG TOURNAMENT.

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ENGLAND WINS.

FRANCE BEATEN IN ATHLETICS.

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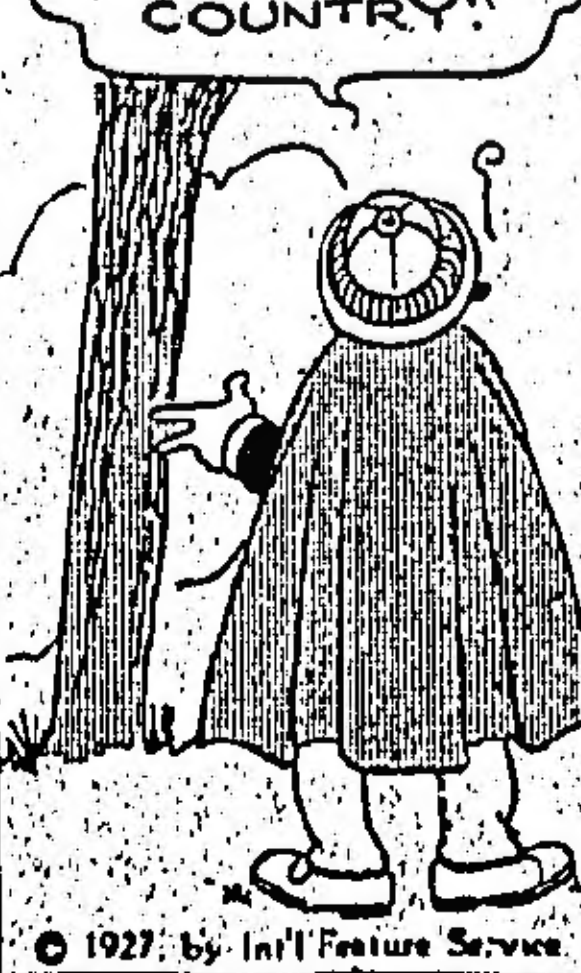
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LAWN BOWLS.

Craigengower's Double Victory.

TWO DRAWN GAMES.

Bowling Green Go Down To Civil Service.

Lawn Bowls fixtures were carried out in accordance with programme on Saturday, with the exception of the Royal H.K. Yacht Club v. Kowloon C.C. match, which was postponed.

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club upset calculations by playing the Taikoo R.C. to a draw in Division I. It was an exciting finish, the Bowling Green Club scoring two shots (in Holland's rink) in the last head.

Craigengower C.C. secured a double victory, the first string defeating the Civil Service C.C., whilst their Division II team surprised East Point R.C. The East Pointers ruined any chance they might have had in the championship race.

As some expected, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club met with defeat at the hands of the Civil Service C.C. in Division II, thanks to a handsome win of 19 shots by Alderman's rink over Dixon's.

The Bowling Green were previously running neck-to-neck with the Kowloon C.C. and Taikoo R.C. for pride of place in this Division.

On their own green, the Club de Recreio shared the points with the Taikoo R.C.—quite a good performance!

DIVISION I.

CRAIGENGOWER v. C.S.C.C.

Entertaining their neighbours Civil Service C.C., the Craigengower C.C. won by 6 shots. Scores:—

C.C.C.	C.S.C.C.
W. B. Muskett	H. H. Rose
M. Souza	A. O. Brown
C. Bennett	A. Grimmett
R. Basu	A. H. Oswick
(skip) ... 22	(skip) ... 19
F. J. Neves	T. Laing
D. Fritz	R. A. Smith
C. S. M. Alves	A. Holledge
U. M. Omar	T. D. E. Pendered
(skip) ... 17	(skip) ... 22
W. T. Brightman	B. E. Maughan
C. S. Rosslet	H. Westlake
H. Beer	P. Keegan
D. Rumjahn	J. W. Deakin
(skip) ... 22	(skip) ... 15
61	56

KOWLOON C.C. v. P.R.C.

On their own green, the Kowloon C.C. lost to the Police R.C. by 16 shots. Scores:—

K.C.C.	P.R.C.
W. J. Edwards	Rando
F. E. Nash	Hollands
F. Goodwin	Reid
J. Gibson	Moss
(skip) ... 13	(skip) ... 20
J. Hyde	Buchanan
W. Hyde	Marks
W. Goldenberg	Sword
H. Overy	Mair
(skip) ... 18	(skip) ... 19
R. Abraham	Glendenning
F. C. Fincher	Robertson
C. J. Tacchi	Condon
A. G. Pile	West
(skip) ... 23	(skip) ... 31
54	70

TAIKOO R.C. v. K.B.G.C.

At Taikoo, the home team drew with the Kowloon B.G.C. Scores:—

T.R.C.	K.B.G.C.
J. McCubbin	R. Duncan
C. Matthews	T. Fergusson
J. Laing	P. T. Farrell
G. Morrison	A. M. Holland
(skip) ... 20	(skip) ... 21
T. Grimes	D. Hazel
T. Grimeshaw	D. Harvey
G. McLeod	A. Macfarlane
R. Wallace	W. Russell
(skip) ... 23	(skip) ... 18
J. Muirhead	W. Hedley
J. Whyte	T. Magill
J. Russell	D. Muir
W. Wotherpoon	W. Macfarlane
(skip) ... 21	(skip) ... 25
64	64

DIVISION II.

EAST POINT R.C. v. C.C.C.

On their own green, the East Point R.C. lost to the Craigengower C.C. by 14 shots. Scores:—

E.P.R.C.	C.C.C.
A. T. Hamilton	J. F. Lanny
R. Williamson	W. Nicholson
G. M. Shaw	R. F. Luz
R. McKellar	G. H. Sellwood
(skip) ... 18	(skip) ... 18
G. Vickers	D. K. Kharras
H. Hampton	Y. Abbas
A. K. Henderson	A. A. Lewis
H. McTavish	F. T. Knott
(skip) ... 16	(skip) ... 24
F. Samways	F. K. Modi
J. Kinnaird	Deacon
Douglas	A. A. Razaek
R. H. Whiteford	C. A. Rodriguez
(skip) ... 12	(skip) ... 18
46	60

RECREIO v. TAIKOO R.C.

At King's Park, the Club de Recreio played a draw with the Taikoo R.C. Scores:—

61	56
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C. de R. T.R.C.

J. Ribeiro	F. Boyle
Joe	Colla
C. A. Lopes	D. Walmsley
J. Ribeiro	T. Young
(skip) ... 22	(skip) ... 15
H. R. Sequeira	J. Chalmers
J. G. Ozorio	W. Warnock
C. Silva	W. Weir
L. C. R. Souza	H. McKnight
(skip) ... 20	(skip) ... 18
E. Sousa	H. Maxwell
P. Yvanovich	D. Speirs
C. Marques	D. Munro
A. Ribeiro	H. Dinmen
(skip) ... 18	(skip) ... 27
60	60

CIVIL SERVICE C.C. v. K.B.G.C.

At Happy Valley, the Civil Service C.C. defeated the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 7 shots. Scores:—

C.S.C.C.	K.B.G.C.
Bickford	Reid
Luck	E. S. Carruthers
A. B. Allan	W. Cuff
S. Alderman	R. Dixon
(skip) ... 25	(skip) ... 6
S. Eccleshall	J. Matthews
C. E. Jones	F. Stonham
F. H. W. Haynes	J. Budding
J. Massey	J. Macleachlan
(skip) ... 13	(skip) ... 20
S. Flegg	W. E. Hale
T. W. Carr	C. Hatt
J. R. Archibald	G. R. Forster
R. Taylor	D. F. Warren
(skip) ... 19	(skip) ... 24
57	50

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon Dock R.C.	9	9	0	0	18
Taikoo R.C.	9	6	1	2	13
Kowloon B.G.C.	8	4	1	3	9
Police R.C.	9	4	0	5	8
Craigengower C.C.	10	4	0	6	8
Civil Service C.C.	8	2	0	6	4
Kowloon C.C.	9	1	0	8	2

Shots for and Against.

For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Kowloon Dock R.C.	558	442	116
Taikoo R.C.	558	493	65
Kowloon B.G.C.	491	435	56
Civil Service C.C.	454	478	24
Police R.C.	522	536	14
Craigengower C.C.	537	559	62
Kowloon C.C.	427	564	137

Division II.

P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon C.C.	10	8	0	16
Kowloon B.G.C.	10	7	0	14
East Point R.C.	11	7	0	14
Taikoo R.C.	9	6	1	13
Civil Service C.C.	11	5	0	10
Club de Recreio	11	3	1	7
Craigengower C.C.	11	3	0	6
Royal H.K.Y.C.	7	0	0	0

Shots for and Against.

For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Kowloon B.G.C.	614	526	88
East Point R.C.	669	538	81
Taikoo R.C.	566	493	73
Kowloon C.C.	617	545	72
Civil Service C.C.	615	647	32
Club de Recreio	589	665	76
Craigengower C.C.	596	672	76
Royal H.K.Y.C.	358	483	130

FIXTURES FOR AUGUST 6.

Matches down for decision for next Saturday are:—

Division I: Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon Dock R.C.; Taikoo R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.; Kowloon B.G.C. v. Police R.C.
Division II: Kowloon C.C. v. East Point R.C.; Craigengower C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.; Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Club de Recreio; Kowloon B.G.C. v. Taikoo R.C.

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TUESDAY, AUGUST	2
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Paul Lecat. 4.30 p.m.
Hohow, Pailow & Haiphong	Kumsang 5 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3rd Sept. K.P.O.—Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O.—Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Empress of Canada.
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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST	3
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Saigon	Tibodas 2.30 a.m.
Swatow	Dorry 5 p.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Haiching 12.30 p.m.
Java Via Surabaya	Haiching 12.30 p.m.
Hohow, Tourane & Quinhon	Dorry 5 p.m.
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THURSDAY, AUGUST	4
Saigon	Hinsang 1.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, AUGUST	5
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herself. Jack Anstis and the "Six What Nots" were a jolly crowd and their get up was a scream. Their turn was instrumental, assisted by a Jazz dancer, and was appreciated by all present.

The Spanish dance by Miss Pestonji was very pretty and well done. The encore was well done. Mrs. Pestonji was at the piano. This clever, youthful dancer, it is interesting to note, learned the Spanish dance in Spain during a trip around the world two years ago, and interpreted it wonderfully well. In her jazz dance, with Mr. D'Almada at the piano, she carried on the real American spirit of jazz which she learned while in America.

The trio of violinist, celloist and pianist was a fine treat. Mr. Rudolph Gerzovsky, violinist, is a pupil of the famous Prof. Auer, and showed himself as a true artist. Mr. Geo. Surmi delighted with his cello solo given as an encore. These two artists appeared by kind permission of the Hong Kong Amusements Ltd. Mr. Harry Ore's pianoforte execution needs no introduction to Hong Kong audiences, and he was again a delight to listen to. The appearance of three such sterling artists together in a local programme was a creditable performance on the part of the organisers, and Mrs. Costen is to be congratulated in arranging these numbers.

Signora de Guzman was a delightful item. Her singing always brings down the house. As an encore she sang with Mr. D'Almada. The combination was all to be desired. Many of the great audience would have liked to have heard more of them, but time would not admit.

The violin trio with Mrs. Griggs at the piano was a huge success. Those taking part were Mrs. H. Balean, Miss J. Braga, and Miss Acheson. Mr. G. D'Almada's vocal selections were well chosen. La Paloma was a treat.

Piano selections of his own composing were played by Mr. Harry Ore. "The Chinaman from London Town," by an old favourite, Drummer Steward, was the most comic he has ever done. His Chinese coolie outfit was a good one. His duet with Mrs. Costen was quite a hit, and was composed by Mr. D. C. G. Dickinson.

Mrs. Richard Sanger again gave the audience a treat, "Ave Maria" with violin obligato by Mr. John Braga always taking the place by storm. Her Danny Boy was a good encore. Miss C. Braga was the accompanist. Mr. G. W. C. Burnett gave the "Skipper of the Mercantile Marine," his get up was to the point. His accompanist, Mrs. C. P. F. James, had a job to get him started. As an encore he was requested to give the ever fresh "Charge of the Light Brigade." The "What Nots" again gave us more jazz with extra vim.

The programme was brought to an end by Mrs. Costen and Mrs. Sanger delighting the audience in a duet.

Flashlight photos were taken on the stage of Mrs. Costen and most of her workers after the performance.

Lucky Numbers.

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AN INDIAN TOUR.

Miss Doris Woods On Her Impressions.

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"You must admit that I have been extremely fortunate," said Miss Doris Woods when approached by a representative for impressions of her recent tour through India with Mr. Salisbury's "Quaints."

"A list of the tour? Certainly," opened in Singapore in "Nanette" on June 3, 1926, through the Straits to Penang, then Rangoon, Calcutta on July 15, Bombay, Poona, Secunderabad, Karachi, Quetta, Lahore, Meerut, Delhi, Simla, Sialkot, Rawal Pindi, Peshawar, (the Khyber Pass), Ambala, Cawnpore, Lucknow, Calcutta, Bombay for Christmas, Allahabad, then return visits to Rangoon, and the Straits; again to India, Madras, Bangalore, Secunderabad, Jubbulpore, Jalandhar, Agra, Delhi, Simla, Ambala, Lahore, Quetta, Karachi, all return visits, and then to a packed audience for "Nanette," finishing at Bombay on May 20, 1927.

Her Favourite Part.

"You ask do I like acting? Yes, but character parts only. I like to lose my own individuality and revel in looking awful—my plan of a part (plays itself) as Miss Bourne in "The Ghost Train," is my favourite. Think of it too, a strict T.T. and the piece de resistance is the "drunk" scene. Like that scene in "Fallen Angels" which is Forbes Russell's biggest attraction (they come here in September), it appealed to the public. Enthusiastic in India? Well, yes, in some of the bigger cities, but in the military stations too blasé. There is such a sameness to the Stations. A club, the Barracks, the inevitable riding path, pretty bungalows, always more or less the same furniture carried on by mem-sahib after mem-sahib, gardens sometimes a blaze of coloured flowers, and in the dry season parched and grey with dust.

"Our tour was most successful. It is a thrill to feel one always has a winner, and we had two—"Nanette" and "The Ghost Train." The public in the East demand running London successes, and when "The Sport of Kings" finished at the Savoy, our audiences dwindled, so we rarely played it. A rage in London cannot fail in the East, but I think the day of small companies is over. It was a good school, though "The Quaints" where one is principal in one show, and chorus in another. We all had to be versatile, and we discovered hidden talent that way.

Tours Compared.

"What part of India do I like best? Hard to say. I have a great partiality for Rangoon where I stayed for six months with Aileen and mother in 1916. Calcutta is very gay, excellent shops and restaurants and the best dancing to be seen in India. Agra is a dirty town, but the Taj Mahal! In its way, beauty incomparable, but the snow covered Himalayas and the glories of Nature to be seen in Simla appeal far more to me. One experiences a thrill of pride when one stands in the grounds of the old Residency in Lucknow where the British flag is never lowered, and it flies to-day as it did when our courageous handful of British men, women and children faced the ferocious mutineers. Then also the magazine in Delhi which our British soldiers blew up and themselves with it, rather than surrender it to the enemy. We were all snatched of course at Lahore on what is still termed "Kim's gun"—after Kipling's "Kim."

"Do I want to go again? No I have had so much of travelling in my day, and packing and tipping and unpacking has lost its savour—give me China and especially Hong Kong, because after nearly ten years it is home to our family.

"We had our own special carriages on the trains, and we did miles and miles through the rains—preferable owing to the coolness—across the Sind Desert, which means sand and then sand and flies, and excessive heat. But we

MR. WILLIAM WILSON.

Old Hong Kong Resident Passes Away.

DIES IN SCOTLAND.

As we go to press we are informed by the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., that Mr. William Wilson, who was for many years employed by the Company and who in his latter years of service acted as Chief Manager, has died at Glensore, Kilmartin, Scotland. The news of the decease was received by cable this morning.

A 4-year old Chinese female child was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from scalds on the face and body caused by a pot of boiling soup up-setting on her.

Corporal Lloyd, stationed at Belcher's Fort has reported the theft yesterday of \$50 from the office of the Master Gunner at the fort. The money was removed from a cash box which was broken open.

have profited by that awful disaster of many years ago when so many soldiers died for lack of ice. Nowadays there is a small compartment allotted to the 'ice wallah,' and it was a case of two annas' worth of ice and lemonades from us all the time. We became used to the camel and donkey transport. Did I ride one? No, motor cars, gharries and tongas for the Europeans. If one does not mind the heat and dust, and often terrible cold, and it is all looked upon as a great adventure, it can be really enjoyable.

Nizam of Hyderabad.

"We had the honour (which I'm afraid we did not appreciate) of the presence at each performance in Secunderabad of the richest man in the world—the Nizam of Hyderabad. Only in his early forties, he has forty sons and innumerable daughters. Made our stage look like a Chinese Theatre. Brings numbers of wives and they sit in chairs behind coloured muslin, (Purdah). Half of our scenery has to be removed, and so the audience, mostly military, has to see the artists awaiting cues and the scene shifters at work.

"My greatest thrill? Oh I think the Khyber Pass. Such a memento of British enterprise and skill. No women after six o'clock, and we were only allowed there because we went to an outpost, Landikotal, to perform for the troops. In the distance the mountains of Afghanistan, and the notice "British territory ends here." Nearly three hours' mowing over passes cut through mountains, barren grey surrounding country, caravans of camels laden with merchandise, slowly wending their way to the wonderful Bazaars in Peshawar. Continually under the watchful care of unseen eyes. One British officer, in the Watch Towers with a handful of Indian troops. He is allowed to visit Peshawar on an occasional week-end visit. What a lonely life. As a rule they spend their time learning native dialects, a far cry from London and Paris.

"We had most enthusiastic audiences. Parsees at the Sunday Matinee in Bombay. You see, India has a continual stream of small companies like we have at the seaside resorts in England. They never come out of India, and more often than enough, they are stranded there. Theatrical managers usually look on China as profitable.

The M.C.C.

"We had the good fortune to see really excellent cricket in India. Met the M.C.C. team in more than one place, and then travelled with them to Rangoon. Topping lot of men—Arthur Gilligan, Geary, Sandham, Tate, Ekersley and Astill. I have some very pleasant memories of their friendship, and souvenirs and 'snaps' of which I am proud.

"A fully nice of you to say I should do so after such a trip. I do appreciate seeing so much. The future? In the laps of the Gods."

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